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"E.J." Still Victim Of The System After Being Beaten

by Marghe Covino OF MGW STAFF

When 14-year old Emmuel Julius (E.J.) Byington walked out of the Capital Christian Center last Easter Sunday and joined lesbian and gay protesters he could hardly have realized the troubles which awaited him. In what has been described by

viding the Center with oversight in the events occurring with E.J. and advising the Center's executive director and treasurer about disbursement of the funds.

While E.J. was staying with his sister, (she had been laid off at her job) they both enjoyed becoming reacquainted with each other. However, Victoria was incurring large telephone bills making repeated



E.J. Byington

a Sacramento County Supervisor as "a singular act of courage," E.J. spoke out against the kind of hatred being preached against gays and lesbians in the church. He stood with the protesters for awhile and then bravely allowed himself to be led, alone, into the church by a phalanx of grim-faced church security people.

who is a ward of the Nebraska structor at Consumnes River Colcourts and was living with his aunt Sylvia, was beaten by an adult cousin and thrown out of the house by his aunt and sent to live with his sister in San Jose. When the aunt called E.J's sister, Victoria Carpentier, she told Victoria she'd better take E.J. or she was turning him over to the Sheriff's Department as an incorrigible. He was only allowed to take a small duffel bag with him and had to leave all of his clothes, books and his precious bicycle. His aunt is still keeping those things.

A fund for E.J. was set up at Sacramento's Lambda Community Center and lesbians and gays from the Bay Area and Sacramento sent touching letters (see sidebar) and made donations for clothes, a new bicycle and upkeep for the growing boy. A Different Light bookstore sent a book and a card.

An Ex-Officio member of the Lambda Board, Nancy Nystrom, a lesbian social worker with expertise in child welfare issues is pro-

calls to Mark Bryant, E.J.'s social worker in Nebraska and attempting to get in touch with his social worker in Sacramento in order to resolve custody issues and find E.J. a home where he would be well supervised, cared for and loved - and which would allow him visits to his

One of the Easter Sunday demon-Later the same afternoon E.J., strators, Michael Gorman, an inlege was in touch with E. J. and Victoria and, a father himself, volunteered to find and screen families which would want to take E.J. and found a number of them.

In the meantime, E.J. and Victoria became fearful that he would be taken from her home and sent back to Nebraska, where he no longer has any family, and be sent to a Boys Home where he would get lost in the system.

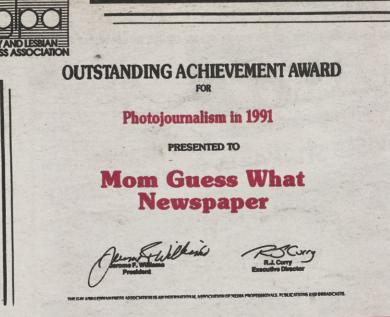
Victoria said, "I began to get suspicious that something was up when I couldn't get straight answers or solutions from Nebraska and I couldn't even get a return phone call from the Sacramento social worker. I really think the whole issue with Sacramento is to get rid of him because they don't want the expense of his upkeep and Nebraska is doing the same thing. But in the meantime we can't make any arrangements or plans — he can't be enrolled in school and he simply

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MGW Photographer Wins Another Award



Photo by Marghe Covino Sacramento pho-tographer Pam Coffey received first place in Photojournalism at the Gay and Lesbian Press Association awards dinner last month. Pam is a regular contributor to the paper and acted as Photo Editor much of last year. More on Press Association on page 12.



Printer Rejects The Advocate on Basis of Ads

by Winston McDade **OF MGW STAFF**

An expression of distaste and disdain for the ads that appear in The Advocate are apparently the factors behind the delay of the magazine's '60s style redesign.

In a move that pushed back the debut of The Advocate's more upscale design that would convert the magazine from a black-and-white periodical to a four-color title, Quad/Graphics, a printing firm that bid for the opportunity to change the style and design of the magazine, rejected the periodical on the basis of its ads and ad content.

It was a move that surprised Advocate CEO and publisher, Niles



Merton. After bidding with two other printing companies -- 33 printers were asked, all but three declined--Quad/Graphics was chosen to undertake the task and negotiations seemed to be going well.

"This is strange behavior for a printer that prints Playboy," said according Merton, Magazine Week. "A bunch of white straight guys see nothing wrong with Playboy, but when gay material is printed with less sexual content than Playboy, they object. That's a double standard."

Larry Cooke, a Southern California Quad/Graphics representative, said that his printing company was very interested in upscaling The Advocate, but were unsure

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Thank You...

Dear Editor:

I'd like you to know that I greatly appreciate your willingness to include in your calendar the mention of my lecture for the public at Charter Hospital. Topics such as this one touch many lives, and I appreciate your letting your readers know there is hope and help in this area.

Sandra Fields, Ph. D.

No Support Found...

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter on behalf of L.O.C.A.S. We held a fundraiser on May 9, 1992, to celebrate Cinco de Mayo. Proceeds went to Hope House. A lot of people worked very hard to put this together. Very few people attended this function. I was very disappointed that there was no show of support from our gay brothers and sisters.

L.O.C.A.S. is a fairly new organization and provides social support for gays and lesbians who are interested in Latino culture, food and music. We provide a positive social experience for gay Latinos and others who are interested in our culture. We support the gay community through fundraising efforts for worthy charitable organizations.

We conducted several fundraisers for organizations such as the Sacramento AIDS Foundation, C.A.R.E.S., T.A.L.S. (The American Lupus Society of Sacramento) and Hope House. We support organizations who are in need, not by their color, differences or preferences.

In order for our organization (L.O.C.A.S.) and other gay organizations and our community to grow, educate and stay strong, we need to unite and provide support for each other. Instead of growing apart through our differences we should share, support and learn from each other and grow together.

Strength thru Unity, Anna Peralta de Locas

Maybe We're Abnormal...

Dear Editor:

Last Monday at Joseph's we viewed a tape that was being distributed to many congregations in support of Oregon Citizens' Alliance (OCA), an organization attempting to legalize discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, considering homosexuality "abnormal, wrong, unnatural and perverse." I hate to admit that based on that video they had a pretty compelling argument. Even the most understanding heterosexual could be persuaded into reconsidering their acceptance of gays and lesbians.

Last year my partner, our then-two-year old daughter and I attended the 1991 Gay Pride Parade in S.F. It was our first time to attend the Parade, and it was at that time that we decided that we would not attend any future parades. There was simply too much obscenity for a twoyear old. I failed to understand what Jesus in drag and naked people had to do with gay pride, other than those people just happened to be gay. There were some great organizations participating, but unfortunately there was too much stuff that was going on that was inappropriate for children and offensive to any Christian present.

The tape we viewed was just what homophobics were waiting for. It contained clips from the Gay Pride Parade—of course only the events that would prove their point. I was very upset after watching the tape because they were using the ammunition that we had given them to fight us. I truly believe in free speech, but I am beginning to feel that my rights are being jeopardized by the behavior of a few. There are a great number of people who are desperately trying to prove that homosexuality is aberrant and perverse, and by this going on we're proving their point.

I am told that CCC already

has the tape, and I doubt they're the only ones. Obviously we cannot take it back, but how about easing it up some? Not for them, but for us, the gays and lesbians that are being harmed by a few. I encourage all of you to see the video and form your opinions. Thank you for allowing me to express mine.

Maria Caideron

Lambda Letters to Incorporate...

Dear Editor:

The managers of Lambda Letters Project are now preparing to incorporate and obtain nonprofit, tax-exempt status for the

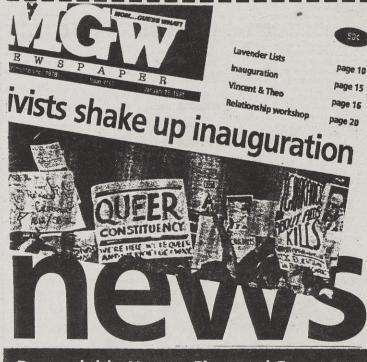
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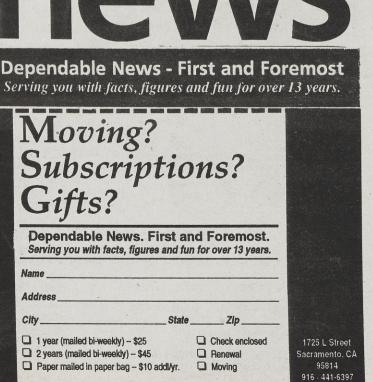
Incorporation will require that we establish a Board of Directors and the non-profit status will help us to lower our postage costs considerably and relieve Boyce Hinman of the burden of paying taxes on the income of the project. A Board of Directors is also needed because the fast-growing project may soon exceed the abilities of its informal management team to run the project and raise the necessary funds to pay its bills.

A search committee is being formed to seek potential Board members and officers of the corporation. Project managers have prepared proposed by-laws, position statements for Board members, a history of the project and a number of other documents to be included in a Search Committee binder to be used by that committee in its work.

Now we must appeal to you to help in the effort. Please seriously consider serving on our search committee or as a Board member or officer of the corporation. We have budgeted travel expenses and can provide some travel reimbursement if you are from outside the Sacramento area. If you cannot serve, please discuss it among your friends and help us find someone who can. If you have questions you can call Karen at 916-753-6670 or Boyce at 916-965-6851. Yours truly,

Lambda Letters







Analysis:

Ross Perot: 'Blank Check' in **Billionaire's Clothing**

OF MGW STAFF

During this century, there have been only four presidential elections in which a third-party candidate has been able to win more than 6 percent of the popular vote. And in only one of those four races did the third-party candidate actually affect who won - the 1912 election that saw progressive Republican Theodore Roosevelt challenge the conservative Republican incumbent, President William H. Taft, thereby allowing Democrat Woodrow Wilson to win the presidency with a mere 41 percent of the popular vote.

Now if this 1912 election sounds vaguely familiar, let me introduce today's leading candidate for the title of Number One 'Rough Rider,' Ross Perot.

Perot, of course, never led a charge up San Juan Hill in Cuba although he got pretty close to that kind of swashbuckling when he sent in a private team to rescue Perot employees being held hostage in Iran after the Islamic revolution there - but the groundswell of popular support his undeclared crypto-candidacy for the presidency has generated could well be the biggest wildcard in U.S. electoral politics since 'T.R.' nearly split the Republican Party in half some eighty years ago.

The final outcome this November when the votes are counted, could be just about anything from another fizzled third-party bid to retired Vice Admiral James Stockdale-whom you've probably never heard of - becoming the 42nd president of the United States. Pretty weird, huh?

Here are some observations on how we reached this state of affairs.

First, there's a disgruntled electorate. A recent Gallup poll shows that only 19 percent of Americans are satisfied with "the way things are going in the country." Normally that would translate into bad news for an incumbent Republican president and good news for his Democratic challenger. But the same poll showed that only 19 percent of the nation's Democrats believe the party's front-running candidate, Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, is honest and trustworthy.

This widespread disenchantment with the two parties' options has shown up in dismally low voter turnouts in state after state primary races so far. In one state - Utah - the number of registered voters who bothered to go to the polls was an all-time rock-bottom 4 percent.

Second, when John Anderson made an independent bid for the presidency in 1980, popularity polls showed his high point was only 23 percent. In the same poll, Ronald Reagan got 36 percent and Jimmy Carter got 35. But the most recent Time/CNN poll has Perot with a 33 percent popularity rating over 28 percent for George Bush and 24 percent for Clinton.

Maybe even more important, Anderson's presidential bid ran out of steam in the dog days of summer in 1980 when campaign contributions started drying up. But there are at least a hundred million reasons this won't happen this year with Perot and each one of them has a dollar sign in front of it in the form of the \$100 million Perot has personally committed to promote his own campaign. With advertising dollars like that, Perot's campaign not only hopelessly outstrips anything Clinton or Bush could do, it also puts Perot's candidacy up there with the national ad budgets of Diet Coke and Diet Pepsi. By November Perot should be a as familiar to American TV viewers as Michael Jackson and Ray Charles.

And finally, there's Perot's platform, which so far doesn't appear to be so much about issues - where he is vague at best and silly at worst it is about attitude.

Like a modern day Lone Ranger, Ross Perot has come riding into town, promising to rescue the hardpressed citizenry from all manner of political bad guys. With his blunt talk and Depression-era haircut, Perot's maverick posture has a lot of appeal for plain-spoken Americans who are disgusted with doubledealing politicians and Washing-

I hate having to depend on `the

system' to provide money for his

ton gridlock.

But Perot's proposals for tackling the nation's problems have largely remained vague - and a few of them have been called "naive" at

To cut the federal deficit, for example, Perot has said that Congress should be legally prevented from raising any taxes without a national referendum. The problem with that proposal is that such a prohibition would require an amendment to the Constitution which is at best unlikely to happen during Perot's lifetime.

Then Perot said there's \$180 billion in waste and abuse in the federal budget that he would cut. Almost every politician running for federal office during the past 20 years has said virtually the same thing and so far not one of them has been able to succeed. But Perot says he'll be the one able to do it. Right.

Another nifty budget-balancing idea Perot tossed out was to charge Japan and Germany \$100 billion a year for U.S. defense service - U.S. troops in NATO, the Pacific Fleet, that sort of thing.

Sure, Ross.

Then there's his plan to cut out maybe \$100 billion from Social Security entitlements to wealthy retirees and another plan to tighten the screws on tax cheats (to the tune of another \$100 billion in uncollected taxes) by beefing up the Internal Revenue Service. When former Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis made the same suggestion, however, it didn't exactly win him friends among the electorate who pretty much see the IRS as a training academy for vampires.

But the hard realities of the nation's problems don't seem to concern Perot much. Just off the top of his head, he says, he's been able to come up with nearly a halftrillion dollars to help balance the budget and reduce the deficit. He'll work out the details later.

And that's about as close to Perot's actual platform as we can

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can't be settled and secure."

Currently E.J. is living with a family in Sacramento which Gorman located, in a home filled with love, children and animals. But they too, face the uncertainty. "He's a good boy and we'd love to keep him with us," 'mom,'"Peggy says. "After all, it's just four years until he's 18 and it's a difficult time for him, he's still really just a little kid, he's learning the rules and he's comfortable here, he's treated just like ours — they all get their clothes at the thrift store and we all watch our pennies and pull together but he can't just relax and really know that this is his home until the bureaucracy acts. And I was told by the Sacramento worker not to get involved with E.J. because he's being sent back to Nebraska—but he doesn't want to go there and surely he's old enough to choose where he wants to live."

Victoria is very unhappy about E.J.'s treatment in the system. "I'm so frustrated because I just don't have the money to care for him and to keep him with Peggy, in a good home and a loving environment in a place where he can be near to me

upkeep - because of all the mindless strings that are attached. All the time that E.J. lived with my aunt in Sacramento the social worker there never saw him, never called and had no communication with him or with the aunt. When we found Peggy we gave her the social worker's number and when she finally got through to him he told her not to get involved. When Michael Gorman called him he was told that the social worker was attempting to get a court order restricting E.J. from associating with gay people — well it's been gay and lesbian people that have been providing for his upkeep for the past two months." "I finally decided to call the social worker's supervisor and she informed me that because E.J. was sent to my home in San Jose that his case was closed because he had moved out of Sacramento County," Victoria said. "The social worker never bothered to answer my calls and tell me that. However, two weeks after I was told the case was closed — the Sacramento social worker was faxing newspaper articles about E.J. to Mark Bryant in Nebraska getting them all excited about the publicity. This Sacramento social worker did nothing

for E.J. and in fact has made it

harder for him to resolve his issues

and continue his life. At a time when he needed the support of the individual whose responsibility it was to find him a stable home environment — he wasn't around. I feel he hasn't acted in the best interests of the child," Victoria said.

Meanwhile Victoria is going to spend this weekend with E.J. in Sacramento and plans to have a Sunday meeting at Peggy's home with supporters. Peggy is anxious for people concerned with E.J.'s welfare to visit their home and see how he lives and that he's being cared for. Victoria said, "I hope to be able to make plans to get an attorney and resolve the issue of E.J.'s custody and try to determine what other plans we should make - I'm also looking forward to meeting the people in Sacramento who have been so helpful to us."

In the meantime, E.J. has been busy making thank you calls and writing notes to people who have sent in donations for him. He's upset about still being unsettled and he misses his mother but says in spite of all that's happened to him he doesn't regret taking a stand with the protesters on Easter Sunday. E.J. said, "I still think hating gay people is wrong — no matter who says it's right — even the church. They've been such good people to me - I don't know how to thank everybody."

by Keith Clark **OF MGW STAFF**

SAN FRANCISCO — Harry Britt, a 14-year veteran of the city's Board of Supervisors who was appointed to that post in 1978 following the assassination of Harvey Milk, has announced that when his current term on the Board runs out this November he will not stand for reelection.

Britt, 53, will take a post this fall with New College of California as its first Harvey Milk Chair of Humanities and Social Activism. At New College Britt will teach in the areas of gay studies and social activism, and will work to extend the progressive campus' community internship programs.

Speculation has been rampant for months that Britt wanted to leave his post as a Supervisor but was reluctant to resign without assurance from Mayor Frank Jordan that a gay man would be appointed to replace him in what has become known as "Harvey Milk's seat."

At least two gays, AIDS Quilt founder Cleve Jones and attorney Paul Wotman, have both expressed interest in running for Britt's seat on the Board when it becomes vacant.

Gay Superindendent Printer Refuses Britt to Step Down to Print Gay Magazine

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whether the magazine could stand up to a "test of good taste" because many of the classified ads, which many company officials and employees deemed offensive and in bad taste, would apparently detract from the new and improved design.

In defending Quad/Graphics against charges of homophobia, Cooke claimed to be just as upset with the decision to abort the new design efforts--a decision ultimately made by Quad/Graphics president Harry Quadracci--and states that the company prints other gay title such as Genre.

Still, that's little consolation for Advocate Editor-in-Chief Richard Rouilard, who's been working hard to upgrade the periodical for some time and must deal with the setbacks of seemingly good negotiations gone bad.

In the meantime, The Advocate has hired Dimensions Graphics to take over where Quad/Graphics left off, and the results, so far, have reportedly been exemplary.

Get Our Faces Known **Vacancy Announcements**

County Of Sacramento

The following committees and commissions have vacancies as listed below Appointments are made by the Board of Supervisors. Applications are available at all public libraries and at the Board of Supervisors office at 700 H St, Suite 2450

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Arden/Arcade Community Planning Advisory Council	Open	Filing	4 residents of area
Building Board of Appeals	6/22/92 Open	7/3/92 Filing	1 general public 1 general member
Building Standards Board Carmichael Community Planning Advisory Council	6/22/92		1 resident of area
Children's Commission		6/5/92	1 consumer youth 4 residents (55+)
Cordova Community Planning Advisory Council	Open		4 residents of area
Cosumnes Area Community Planning Advisory Council County Sanitation District	Open		3 residents of area
Sewer Rate Advisory Board	6/22/92		1 commercial rep. 1 resident of area
(Wilton-Cosumnes)		Filing 7/3/92	1 resident of area
County Service Area #4C (Delta) County Service Area #4D		27/3/92	1 resident of area
(Herald-Alta Mesa) Developmental Disabilities	Open		2 seats
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Planning Advisory Council Florin-Elder Creek Cemetery	Open		1 resident of area
District Franklin/Laguna Area Comm.	Open	Filing	8 residents of area
Planning Advisory Council Galt-Arno Cemetery District	Open		2 residents of area 1 attorney
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Health Advisory Board Mental Health Advisory Board	Open	Filing	3 seats
Mental Health Advisory Board	Open	Filing	4 seats
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Noise Control Hearing Board North Highlands/Foothill Farms Community Planning		Filing Filing	1 public member 1 resident of area
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History & Science Sacramento Environmental	6/22/92	7/3/92	Super. 1st Dist.) 1 general member 2 residents of area
Southeast Area Community Planning Advisory Council South Sacramento Community		Filing	4 residents of area
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'Detroit News' Columnist Deb Price:

Breaking the Mainstream Media Barrier in America's Heartland

by Keith Clark **OF MGW STAFF**

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In May, without much ado, Deb Price suddenly became the most widely read gay journalist in the world with an audience upwards of 2.3 million readers and growing. She also became the first openly gay or lesbian journalist to publish a regular column on gay and lesbian issues in the nation's daily press. Yet most of us had probably never heard of Price before her unpretentiously named "Deb Price Column" appeared.

An 11-year daily journalism veteran, including a stint at the Washington Post, Price currently is news editor at the Washington Bureau of the Detroit News. And on May 8 the News and its parent company Gannett started syndicating Price's weekly column dealing with gay and lesbian issues.

In its first month, in addition to the Detroit News, the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle, Des Moines Register, and three California dailies - the Palm Springs Desert Sun, Marin Independent Journal and Stockton Record - also began carrying Price's column. In addition, Gannett's national megapaper, USA Today, is running the column, although not on a regular basis because of the paper's for-

Price, for many, may be the ideal solution to the perennial problem of how to get gay and lesbian voices in the mainstream of America's media. There's nothing "militant" about her message, says Barbara Morgan, managing editor of the Marin Independent Journal. "Deb Price's column is just terrific," Morgan said. "It's extremely well written and there's nothing militant or shrill about her style.

But don't mistake Morgan's assessment to mean Price is a milquetoast, some sort of Ann Landers with lesbian tendencies who just writes about nice, "safe" topics with a zero controversy level.

In one column, for example, she took on the "double closet" faced by gay and lesbian Republicans.

"It's not just the Republican Party that treats 'lavender elephants' with dismay, if not scorn," Price wrote in her May 29 column. "Many gay Republicans say they feel as if they need to live in a double closet hiding their sexual orientation in political circles and their political orientation in intolerant gay

For many, saying anything in defense of the right - even the necessity - of gay and lesbian Republicans even to exist is tantamount to treason, and Price wades into this political heresy up to her chin. In an interview she said, "We've had a Republican holding the White House and the Democrats holding the Congress since Jimmy Carter. Obviously, in order to get legislation anywhere, you need power in both parties and that's clearly what gay Republicans are saying. But so many of these people feel not only that they have to be in the closet as far as their political party but they have to be in the closet as far as their own gay communities."

In other columns, Price may not seem so overtly political, but she is always covertly so - and often with a warmth and humor that belie what is still a very radical message in America's heartland: I am who I am, and if you can't cope then turn

Price's words might seem "obvious" to politically savvy Queer Nations in places like San Francisco and West Hollywood and Manhattan. But in cities like Des Moines and Rochester and Stockton any gay or lesbian voice is de facto revolutionary.

"My lover always says to me that at this point all I would have to be doing is printing the phone book [in the column] and we would get the exact same response," Price said. "It's the idea that a gay person is allowed to have a regular column, is being supported in having a column. It doesn't even matter at this point what I say - although hopefully what I'm saying matters."

The audience Price envisions for her column is unabashedly gayfirst, the "gay person who wants to read in their daily newspapers something addressing their concerns from their perspective, something that talks about them in a positive

Take Price's premiere column on what to call that person you're living with, the other half of that entity we call "a couple." It's hardly a new dilemma, and Price doesn't solve it either. But she articulates this fairly minor but persistent problem in a way that's neither pedantic nor petulant.

Running through the list of options open to her in introducing her lover Joyce Murdoch to her boss girlfriend, significant other, longtime companion, lover, spouse, life partner, domestic partner, friend -Price concludes with frustrated good humor exactly what we probably all have: nothing works. "Let's face it," Price wrote in her May 8 column, "none of the terminology out there fits me - or us. Whatever phrase I use, I end up sounding like a foreigner who hasn't quite gotten the hang of American colloquial-

It's this kind of reader-friendly thing that makes Price's column so palatable in the American hinterland - whether in Iowa, California or New York State. And that's exactly where Price is aiming. "Many, many gay people in areas all around the country never read anything about themselves. You can't just go out in most communities and get a Washington Blade or an Advocate. So this for many, many gay people will be the first time they're really reading on a regular basis about gay people or gay issues - which is really incredible when you think about it."

But Price is also sensitive to the fact that 90 percent of the people reading any given daily paper probably aren't gay and understand little or nothing about gays and lesbians. With them, Price aims at building bridges. "In the news media we will occasionally print these stories [about gays and lesbians], but there's no context. God, I would think people are really confused. So this column hopefully gives a little context. I think my job is to bridge a gap between two commu-

nities that rarely speak and if I'm successful, that's what I will have

Lest you think that makes Price a "gay apologist," think again. Paraphrasing Rep. Barney Frank, Price agrees that "most straights aren't nearly as homophobic as they think they ought to be" and aims her columns in ways they can understand.

"To me the number one goal of this column is to get people to talk about gay issues," she says. "And if people want to discriminate against gay people, if people want to hate gay people, if people want the status quo to continue, then fine. But make them defend it."

Typical excerpts from the Deb Price Columns:

On gay and lesbian families:

"For most gay couples, the benefits of domestic bliss are intangible. We watch our siblings get eight silver trays, 12 pickle forks, a fondue pot and a trip to Hawaii for settling down. And then our relatives give us a hard time or nothing

"This is a nation that values family life. I know I do. But it's gotten so that I cringe when I see a restaurant that advertises itself as a 'family' place. The word 'family' has been twisted into a weapon to be used against anyone who doesn't fit into the household of Ward and June Cleaver."

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The Bay Area Regional Rodeo is expected to draw over 10,000 spectators through its 3-day run. It will be the first Gay Rodeo to be held in the Bay Area in several years, and as such is attracting widespread support throughout all of Northern and Central California.

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No Gays in a Perot Administration, **Military**

by Keith Clark **OF MGW STAFF**

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Just over a month after undeclared presidential candidate Ross Perot told PBS-TV interviewer David Frost in April that he considered sexual orientation a matter of "individual rights." the Texas billionaire told Barbara Walters in an ABC-TV "20/20" interview that it would be "unrealistic" to allow gays and lesbians in the nation's armed forces and that appointing gays to top-level administration posts would be too "controversial."

Sounding more like Vice President Dan Quayle than an independent Democrat, Perot told Walters in the interview aired Friday, May 29, that "I put a very strong store on strong moral values.'

In the casual, off-the-cuff interview, Walters asked Perot if he would name an open gay or lesbian to his staff if he is elected president.
"It would all depend," Perot replied. "We'd have to be far more specific in what job.

When Walters pressed Perot on whether he would appoint an acknowledged homosexual to a cabinet position, such as secretary of defense, the treasury or education, Perot balked. "No, I don't want anybody there that will be at a point of controversy with the American people," he said. "It will distract from the work to be done."

Perot tried to draw a distinction between individuals' private lives and their possible public service, saying, "What people do in their private lives is their business."

Perot also said that if elected

president he would not order the Pentagon ban on gays and lesbians removed and said of having gays and lesbians in the military, "I don't think that's realistic."

The undeclared candidate's remarks drew quick and unequivocal fire from national gay rights leaders around the country. Robert Bray of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force said, "He needs to educate himself about bigotry. Gay men and lesbians are the American

Gregory King of the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) said, "I think he's trying to have it both ways. We've learned that while he believes homosexuality is an individual right, he doesn't believe that we should be free from discrimination. In fact he has endorsed discrimination, something that to the best of my knowledge, very few presidential candidates have ever

Steve Weiss, a board member of the gay Republican Log Cabin Club of Los Angeles said Perot's remarks draw into question how independent his candidacy is. "Given the tenor of his campaign - that he's going to stand up and do what's right and not play politics - it does seem to belie that," Weiss said.

Gay rights activists weren't the only ones to pounce on Perot's statements. The Rev. Jesse Jackson, who was in San Francisco when news of Perot's remarks broke, said, "Whoever would be president must obey the law and afford people equal protection under the law and not leave anybody out based on their race, their sex, their religion or their sexual prefer-

Democratic presidential hopeful Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, campaigning in Sacramento, accused Perot of discriminating against gays. "If I'm the president of the United States I think my job, rather to inquire about the private lives of people who might serve, is to get the best people I can to serve this country. One of my tenets is that we don't have a person to waste - we waste too many in America.

Despite the negative reactions following the Walters interview, however, Perot's remarks in April to David Frost then had drawn very positive responses. Tim McFeeley, executive director of HRCF, said at the time he was "pleased that Mr. Perot has addressed these issues and taken a strong stand in favor of equal rights for lesbians and gay

But even while rights leaders were praising Perot's statement in April, the "Washington Blade" was reporting that activists in Dallas had "lingering reservations" about him. According to the "Blade," "While Perot was head of Electronic Data Systems Corporation, the company prohibited employees from having same-sex roommates, treated employees with AIDS unfairly and discriminated against gays in hiring."

Perot later tried to soft-pedal his remarks and told reporters he was thinking about the Anita Hill-Clarence Thomas Senate hearings when he made his comments about not appointing gays to office. He said that if he did appoint a gay or lesbian candidate for a Cabinet post, that person would "be destroyed in Senate confirmation hearings."

Response to Ross Perot Comments on Gays in Military, Government

tributable to Urvashi Vaid, executive director, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. The statement is in response to comments made by Ross Perot to ABC News' "20/20."

Ross Perot's comments about gay people are extremely disturbing because they condone employment discrimination. It is outrageous that Perot is willing to sacrifice principles of equality and fair play for the sake of political expediency. His comments are frighteningly similar to those of extremists on the Right such as Pat Buchanan. These politicians would deny gay and lesbian Americans equal opportunity under the law for no other reason than our sexual

Perot is out of touch with the American mainstream. Polls show that the American people do not support discrimination based on sexual orientation. Most Americans believe the military policy should be eliminated. The consensus from conservatives like Newt Gingrich to the military's own consultants has been growing against

Perot's comments are an insult to thousands of lesbian and gay public employees, veterans and to all gay people in this country. We

The following statement is at- are alarmed at Perot's double standard. He would deny equal opportunity and fairness under the law to openly gay and lesbian people, but considers "what'people do in their private lives is their business." The message from Perot-like the message from the extremist Right—is that gay people are acceptable as long as they remain invisible and in the closet.

It is interesting to us that some of Perot's first public position statements should deal with gay and lesbian civil rights. With these statements, Perot reveals himself to be no different from the status quo. We call on Ross Perot to meet with gay and lesbian advocates, and to educate himself about the discrimination that he has made a political decision to condone.

Ross Perot's statements on gavs and lesbians:

Q: Should homosexuals be allowed to serve in the military? A: "I don't think that that's realistic."

Q: Would you hire gays for Cabinet-level jobs, including Secretary of Defense?

A: "I don't want anyone there that will be a point of controversy with the American people...It will distract from the work to be done."

Perot

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get. Other things Perot has said in response to questions about his stands on issues only makes him more enigmatic instead of less so.

Perhaps nowhere is the Perot enigma underscored than in his comments about homosexuality. In April, Perot told David Frost that "sexual orientation is a matter of individual rights" but that he hadn't given the question of extending same-sex couples the same tax breaks married couples get "a second's thought."

Based on these somewhat vague comments, the Washington D.C.based Human Rights Campaign Fund, however, immediately praised Perot for taking "a strong stand in favor of equal rights for lesbians and gay men."

But a month later, in an interview with Barbara Walters, Perot said he wouldn't appoint homosexuals or adulterers to posts in his administration. And so, less than a week before the California primary, Ross Perot remains, as one activist described him, "a huge blank check to be filled in after the elections."

Perot's a Norman Rockwell conservative who says he supports abortion rights. He opposed the Persian Gulf War, but he is a U.S. Naval Academy graduate who provisionally has named as his vice presidential running mate retired Vice Admiral James Stockdale, a Medal of Honor winner who was held as a prisoner for eight years in North Vietnam and now a fellow at the arch-conservative Hoover Institu-

A billionaire three times over, Perot drives his own car, shops at Target Stores and is on record as favoring higher taxes for the rich.

Perot's platform is, and since he's not helping much, the real issue for the Clinton and Bush campaigns has now suddenly become how to run against each other while simultaneously battling Perot's shadow

It is beginning to be clear that George Bush could be the candidate most hurt by Perot's bid for the presidency. According to a Newsweek/Gallup Poll in April, a third of Perot's supporters identified themselves as conservatives while about half labeled themselves as moderates. And that's a constituency that, if it continues its Perot support, could spell big trouble for

A May 27 poll of likely California voters showed a full 41 percent favored Perot, an increase for the Texas billionaire of three percentage points over a similar poll conducted only a month before. Bill Clinton's ratings in that poll rose two percentage points from 20 percent in April to 22 percent in May. But Bush's popularity dropped a staggering 8 percentage points from 32 percent in April to only 24 percent in May.

Republicans are now publicly admitting, as Vice President Dan Quayle did at the end of May, that Perot may be their biggest threat in the November election. Certainly there must be a few GOP strategists who are remembering the political consequences of Teddy Roosevelt's 1912 election charge on conservative incumbent President Taft.

Whether Perot has a chance at winning or not, a growing number of political analyists agree, he does have the potential to win enough key states to throw the presidential election into the House of Representatives to decide, with the Sen-Since no one can figure out what ate deciding the vice presidency,

something that's only happened twice before in U.S. history.

But platform or not, temperamentally fit or not, Ross Perot has Republicans and Democrats alike worried that what started out as little more than a protest move to mark their discontent with the two leading contenders may be leading lots of voters to opt for what one man observed called "a sort of closet Republican version of Harry Truman."

Lesbian Triumphs

Gail Shibley, the only openly lesbian member of the Oregon State Legislature, won the Democratic Party nomination with 87 percent of the vote over two primary opponents despite the opposition she received from the anti-gay group Oregon Citizens's Alliance (OCA). With the help of the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, Shibley was able to raise over \$12,000 for her campaign, but expects the race to get much tougher in November as she goes against a Republican challenger and even more opposition from OCA, who cites her as an improper role model for children.

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Candlelight Vigil at the Capitol

Photos by Brian Ashby

A large group of people collected on the steps of the State Capitol Building at sundown on May 17th to march to the Federal Building for the AIDS candlelight vigil. The diverse group reflected the far reaching effects of the disease on all people. Those speaking to the crowd expressed hope, anger, and grief. The Sacramento Mens Chorus was on hand to provide music as people called out the names of those killed by AIDS.

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John Marshall Hillerns

In loving memory of John Marshall Hillerns. Born in Minneapolis, MN, Oct 27, 1952. Died in Sacramento, CA the morning of March 6, 1992, at age 39, from an AIDS-related illness. Survived by partner Dick Erickson, beloved mother Lois Hillerns of Sacramento, beloved mother Lois Hillerns of Grand Rapids, ML, many brother. Jim Hillerns of Grand Rapids, ML, many friends Sue and Amy, Ellie, Sheli and Stephanie.

Many special thanks to the people of CARES
and the AIDS Foundation. He will be dearly

David Lee Anderson

Berkeley Police Officer David Lee Ander-son departed Code 3 with lights and sirens going on Wednesday, Feb. 26.

David was a 12 year veteran of the Berkeley Police Department. Prior to being with the BPD, he was a patrol officer with the Sausalito Police Department. David received his B.A. in Administration of Justice from Sacramenta State University. While in college he worked with the Sacramento Sheriff's Department.

During David's career with the Berkeley Police Department he was a championship marksman and served with the Barricade Subject and Hostage Regotiation team. He also

marksman and served with the Barricade Subject and Hostage Negotiation team. He also served in the Career Criminal, Warrants, Administration Bureau and Special Enforcement Divisions. However, his special love was as a patrol officer and as a field training officer teaching recruits the techniques of street patrol. In 1990, David was elected the first gay president of the Berkeley Police Officer's Association. David led an open life-style and his fellow officers were well aware and accepting of David and his domestic partner, Kevin McPheeters.

Early in the AIDS epidemic, David helped

Early in the AIDS epidemic, David helped create the Red Cross Education Program for

Officer Anderson was a founding partici-Officer Anderson was a founding participant of "Pigs in Paradise," later to become the Golden State Peace Officer's Association. He enjoyed traveling and was a skilled yachtsman, sailing yearly in the Caribbean. He also spent time in Europe, especially enjoying Spain with its warm, romantic climate. David also enjoyed music, theater and art and was often found singing show tunes in his squad car.

David was always committed to helping

people. But more than that, he was a warm, loving person. David had a large extended family whom he cared for greatly, and this family came forward in his last difficult months.

His family, friends and fellow police officers salute Officer David Anderson, star #56, of the Berkeley Police Department. Star #56 is now 10-10, out of service. He leaves behind a legacy of human values and warm memories. legacy of human values and warm memories. David, your streets are now paved in gold, but remember, traffic laws will still be strictly en-

William P. Fellos

Services were held May 13 for Bill Fellos who died in Sacramento on May 11, 1992, at the age of 57 after a short illness with complications from AIDS.

A native of Klamath Falls, OR, Bill came to Sacramento with his family at the age of 5.
Drafted into the Army in 1954 during the Korean conflict, Bill serves two years at Schofield family's bar and restaurant business, Fellos Hobnob, on Broadway and began purchasing

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rental property with his earnings, eventually devoting full time to the management and operation of his properties.

Bill purchased the Continental Motel in West Sacramento in 1976, which was operated as Sacramento's only gay-oriented motel until it was sold in 1990.

Bill enjoyed tending to and giving immaculate care to his properties and gardens, and was doing a \$1 million renovation to a four story turn-of-the-century home on 22nd and V Streets, converting it into five luxury apartments. He also enjoyed traveling to Europe and Australia and was a proud member of the Mile High Club.

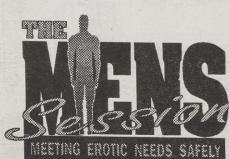
An admirer of the talented pianist Wladziu V. Liberace, Bill owned many pieces of Liberace's furniture, silver, crystal, and the king size (9'2"x9'2") Black Ranch Mink silk-lined bed spread that he brought from the estate. Bill's home was remodeled to fit the furniture, and was open for last year's Sacramento Old City
Association Home Tour in which it was described as a "luxury Manhattan penthouse".

Bill is survived by many close friends, a
son Mark, brothers James and George, and

sisters Alaine and Javeleene.

Herman Adams, Jr.

Herman Adams, Jr. died on January 6, 1992 in Dayton, Ohio, from AIDS-related illness at the age of 37. He is survived by his loving parents Della and Herman Adams, Sr., brother Charles and sisters Yolanda and Anastasia of Sacramento, as well as numerous friends in both the gay and non-gay communities of Sacramento and Dayton, Ohio. Herman Adams, Jr. had worked at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio as a Maintenance Analyst, DCS Logistics, since 1984, when he was transferred out of the Sacramento area. While working at McClellan as the youngest black GS11, Herman was also involved in the Sacramento gay Community. He was the first Treasurer and later President of the Gay and Lesbian Peoples' Union at CSU, Sacramento, and was active in many organiza-tions including The River City Family. Herman was buried at Mt. Vernon Memorial Park in Sacramento. Herman Adams, Jr., your friends and family will continue to love you, miss you and remember you.▼



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by Winston McDade **NEWSCLIP EDITOR**

Levi's Goes Baggy

It's the fit that makes the fashion--or in Levi Strauss & Co.'s case, the "non-fit" that keeps them moving with today's trends in denim jeans. Levi's is cutting into its budget normally set aside to promote their traditional 501 jeans to create a style of looser, trendier jeans that so many teens appear to be wearing today. Levi's 550 and 560 models, baggy jeans that differ physically from the form-fitting, body-hugging 501's, are slated to make their debut in early July in a series of TV spots directed by photographer Herb Ritts, famous for his photos of Elizabeth Taylor's wedding and a 1991 book of sensual photographs featuring married couple and bodybuilders Bob Paris and Rod Jackson called Duo. Currently, it is unclear just how much of the 501 budget will be cut to promote the 550/560 line, but Levi's reportedly spent around \$20 million a year to advertise their line of 501's. That's a lot of extra material.

--Advertising Age

The Season for Whoopi

Fall is the mark of a brand new television season, and this year is no exception. Making "whoopee" on the talk show circuit this upcoming fall will be Whoopi Goldberg. The academy-award winning actress is lining up such notables as Ted Danson, Cher and Robert Deniro to appear on her half-hour syndicated program called "The Whoopi Goldberg Show." Danson, Cher and Deniro, as well as Goldberg, are all clients of Creative Artists Agency (CAA) which is a major backer of the talk show and has a financial stake in the success or failure of the program. Goldberg, who is also an outspoken advocate of gay rights, homelessness, racial harmony, abortion and women's rights, is hoping to receive endorsements

from products and advertisers she actually uses, and has no qualms against plugging her sponsors' merchandise. Products such as Oreo cookies and real butter (which Goldberg acknowledges is not good for her, but she loves them anyway)

are examples of some of the endorsements she is trying to attract to her show

-- Advertising Age

Urvashi Vaid to Leave NGLTF

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) will be ushering in a new chairperson and Executive Director at the end of 1992 because their current chair, Urvashi Vaid, has announced she will be leaving in December to study, travel and write. Vaid, who has been the Executive Director and spokesperson for the NGLTF for the last eight years, has brought the organization, as well as the gay movement, into the mainstream and is credited with strengthening the organization with political clout, business savvy, increased membership and membership involvement and stabilized fundraising. The current operating budget for the NGLTF is \$1.3 million annually, a 66 percent increase from its fiscal 1989 budget of \$865,836.

Madonna's **Brother to Take** Center Stage in 1993

Christopher Ciccone, brother of controversial pop star Madonna, will be on hand to oversee production of the stage to be used for the 1993 March on Washington. Ciccone will design the stage, just as he did for Madonna's Blond Ambition Tour, and he is the first major celebrity to officially sign on to the March. Organizers of the event are hoping Ciccone's involvement will attract even more of Hollywood's elite.

NYQ Undergoes Name Change

NYQ was the abbreviation for New York Queer, a weekly magazine for the lesbian and gay com-munity. But it also stood for New York Quarterly, a poetry magazine who felt its rights were being infringed upon by the former's use of its initials. Now, after numerous complaints from the Quarterly's readers who were confusing the two titles, as well as the Quarterly's publishers who have lain claim to

the popular NYQ initials for over 21 years, NYQ--the gay magazine--has become QW (Queer World?). New York Queer staffers were reportedly nervous about the name change of the magazine because it is only a seven-month-old publication and they were worried about losing readership, but a deal with hip-hop band Deee-Lite and their recording company was on hand to help out. The May 10 issue of OW included a seven-inch flexi-disk with interviews from the band members of Deee-Lite who, not so coincidentally, have a significant gay following.

--MW News

Sacramento Gay Men **Elected**

Two openly gay political candidates triumphed on Election Day, June 2 in Sacramento. Both Gary Miller and Sam Ciraulo were elected to the Sacramento County



Democratic Central Committee. Gary Miller, who was re-elected to this post, is also the first gay Sacramento delegate to a National political convention. And Sam Ciraulo, a member of the River City Democratic Club, has also applied for a seat as an at-large delegate to the National Democratic Convention; a decision will be made on June 13.

Same-Gender Union in **Fundamentalist's** Backyard

Raleigh, North Carolina's Pullen Memorial Baptist Church recently performed a service blessing the same-sex union of a male couple. Kevin Turner, 27, and Steven Churchill were recently joined in a spiritual union with the families of both men in participation. After a two-month debate, church members voted 2-1 in favor of performing the ceremony, despite heated opposition from the Southern Baptist Convention, of which Pullen Memorial is a member. It was the first gay union held publicly in a Southern Baptist church. The gay union ceremony has led the Southern Baptist Con- Pride Month. Board members of

vention of accusing Pullen Memorial of condoning homosexuality, but Pullen's pastor expressed support for the couple by citing the responsible actions the men are taking by making a long-term commitment to each other in the name of love and monogamy.

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District approved the resolution in

May and hopes that such a measure

will provide the framework for

improved human relations educa-

tion, diversity and multiculturalism,

as well as encourage discussions on

homophobia and the historical treat-

The theme for the Chicago '92 Gay/Lesbian Alcoholics Anonymous Conference is "Happy, Joyous and Free." This year's conference marks the seventh annual event for gay and lesbians alcoholics in recovery, and takes place at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, located just east of Chicago's famed "Magnifi-cent Mile." Numerous A.A. and Alanon speakers, recovery-related workshops, presentations, a dance, a sumptuous banquet and an original musical performed by actors and actresses in recovery are all a part of the festivities. For information: Mike M. (312) 784-8283; Lisa B. (312) 973-4607.

Commission to **Address Needs** of Gay/Lesbian **Students**

The Gay and Lesbian Education Commission, made up gay and lesbian education leaders, have joined forces to address the concerns of gay and lesbian students. Some of the critical issues the commission is concerned with are the alarmingly high suicide rates among gay and lesbian teens, as well as harassment and peer pressure inflicted upon teens perceived to be gay. The Gay and Lesbian Education Commission will also review materials and improve on programs designed to increase awareness on homosexually-related issues such as homophobia and AIDS prevention and education. They will also open the lines of communication to gay teens who are in need of counseling. For information: Laura Hale, (213) 351-7311.

Gay and Lesbian **Pride Month**

In an effort to let children know that it is okay to be themselves, the Los Angeles City Board of Education has approved the yearly observance of June as Gay and Lesbian

Racist, Anti-gay Messages at **American Airlines**

Keith Debro works part-time for American Airlines and has complained about some of the racist and anti-gay graffiti gracing the walls of the cargo areas of some of the aircraft as far back as 1990, but American Airline officials are just starting to do something about it. Debro has reportedly sent pictures of the written obscenities and defamations to American Airlines chairman Robert Crandal and failed to get any response. Now American is ready to tackle the problem by sending out memos to all ground crews in every city where American has operations. The memorandum, a "Ground Operations Advisory," provides guidelines for cleaning off graffiti in cargo holds and visual inspections of cargo areas. That takes care of the offensive markings, but Debro thinks the problem of racist and anti-gay attitudes is what really needs to be addressed, and an American spokeswoman stated that dealing with prejudicial attitudes within the company is high on the agenda of matters the airline will be dealing with.



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Karen Merrick

"Human pride. Until it's safe to be gay, it's not safe to be a woman, black or anything different. It's a celebration of being alive!"



Patrick Stephens

"It's a time to acknowledge ourselves as worthy individuals without shame. To realize we have the power within ourselves to be on equal footing with everyone else. It's also a chance to have a hell of a good time."



Patricia Garrison

"Being humanistic and sensitive. What it just comes down to is human pride. 'gay' can be a barrier. In the long run, it's ownership of your identity and self."



John Feliz

"It means being myself. Balancing my life with family, friends, love, charity, and spirituality. It means to not separate myself from society."

Photos by Brian Ashby

by Keith Clark **OF MGW STAFF**

LOS ANGELES — Gay and lesbian Republicans in Los Angeles made some significant but littlenoticed political strides in the June 2 primary, including GOP wins in one Congressional race, in a state Assembly race, and in the election of a slate of 15 Log Cabin Club (LCC) members to the Los Angeles Republican Central Committee. And depending on the final hand count of ballots later in June, another LCC member may be the GOP standard-bearer in a state Senate race as well.

Log Cabin member Mark A. Robbins, running unopposed in the GOP primary for the 29th Congressional District in Los Angeles' west side, garnered 20,877 votes. In November, Robbins will face powerful incumbent Rep. Henry Waxman in the heavily Democratic district where Democrats significantly out-register Republicans.

In the 42nd State Assembly District, Robert Davis, an LCC member, openly gay West Hollywood Human Service Commissioner and self-professed "troublemaker," easily defeated his only GOP opponent, Chauncey Medberry, 64 per-

cent to 36 percent in the primary. Before the primary race, a confident Davis said in a telephone interview that he would relish a tough partisan battle against his Democratic opponent in the newly redrawn district that include Hollywood, and parts of West Hollywood and Beverly Hills. "I'm going to go out and kick some straight Democrat butt this fall," the often controversial Davis said.

Like Robbins, Davis faces a tough, even unlikely, political fight. The 42nd district has twice as many registered Democrats as Republicans, and he will face a well-financed incumbent, Burt Margolin. But that doesn't seem to daunt Davis, who agrees that winning the Assembly seat itself would be nice but says there are other reasons for mounting a challenge like this.

"This year is so wild that nobody really knows what's going to happen," Davis said in a telephone Davis said in a telephone interview. "The other thing is that

a lot of people think what's at stake is winning the seat. That isn't always what's at stake. I've already won a lot of what I set out to do this year: I've won the nomination, I've won a position in the Republican Party, I will go to state conventions, there's being able to put forth ideas in the public forum, and there's being involved in political decisions beyond the elections. I'm really quite optimistic about what is to be gained out of doing this. I feel I've gone a long ways towards meeting those minimal goals besides simply winning the seat."

As to challenging a politician considered a "friend of the community" by many, that doesn't bother Davis at all. "In politics, ultimately, nobody is going to hand anything to you on a tray," he says. "If you stand there and wait for it, they're going to hand it to somebody who's muscling up to the front. You've got to be prepared at some point to up against these people and take

A third Log Cabin Club member, Carol Newman, launched a wellorganized GOP write-in campaign in the newly redrawn 23rd State Senate District which pitted two incumbent state senators - Tom Hayden and Herschel Rosenthal who were still locked in a photofinish race for the Democratic nomination several days after the election. Since no Republicans were on the ballot in that race, Newman will have to wait until every vote is counted (and perhaps recounted) by hand before she knows if she will win the Republican nomination there. Because there were three write-in campaigns in that race, a finally tally isn't expected until later in June.

Finally, in races for seats on the enormous Los Angeles Republican Central Committee, LCC/LA successfully fielded a slate of 15 LCC members who were all elected to the county's 200-seat GOP Central Committee.

An obviously pleased John Ruble, chairman of the California LCC, said, "This was something that some Log Cabin political action people put together and determined that we had better be at least as determined as the right wing is in getting these offices."

L.A. Gay Republicans Do Gay Candidate Nolan Loses Bid for Well in Primary Congress

by Keith Clark **OF MGW STAFF**

SAN FRANCISCO — Openly gay San Mateo County Supervisor Tom Nolan came in a distant third in a six-person race for the U.S. House seat vacated by Rep. Tom Campbell in his unsuccessful bid to move over to the U.S. Senate. Despite his general popularity in San Mateo County, an endorsement by the San Jose Mercury News, and financial support from San Francisco's gay and lesbian community and the Washington, D.C.-based Lesbian and Gay Victory Fund, Nolan garnered only about 14 percent of the vote, losing to fellow Supervisor Anna Eshoo, the only woman in the

A spokesperson with Nolan's campaign credited his loss largely to the strong showing for women candidates in the state's June 2 primary races. Eshoo, who based her campaign on support from national women's organization, including the fundraising network of women candidates Emily's List, pushed the theme of sending women to Congress tirelessly. Eshoo not only defeated Nolan but also twoterm Assemblyman Ted Lempert for the Democratic nomination.

Nolan entered the race first but found himself in a tough primary

when the new Congressional district lines drew both Eshoo and Lempert into the contest.

Nolan had pledged to be the first openly gay non-incumbent elected to Congress and might have actually delivered on the promise if the new district lines hadn't made it possible for the better known Eshoo and Lempert to enter as well as adding chunks of fairly conservative blue-collar voters to the formerly rather liberal Silicon Valley

Sexual orientation never became an issue in the campaign until the end when Lempert released a mailer that seemed to paint Nolan as a narrow, single-issue candidate. But even Nolan's supporters conceded that that last-minute hit-piece probably wasn't the cause of his thirdplace showing in the race.

Instead, they said Nolan's strong suits in the campaign - transportation and the environment - failed to spark voter passions as Eshoo's appeals to send more women to Congress.

"It was the 'Year of the Woman," one Nolan campaigner said, "not the 'Year of the Queer'."

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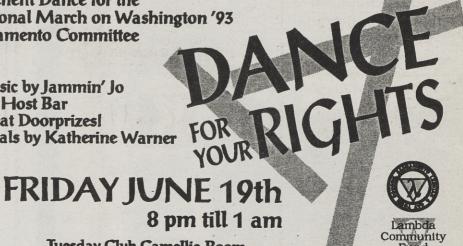
With support from the gay communities of El Dorado County, Sacramento and San Francisco, three gay men were elected to the El Dorado County Republican Central Committee on June 2. Defeating three long-time conservative incumbents, Paul Johnson and Kevin Wadsworth of Placerville were elected in District 3, while Dick Wright of Cameron Park was elected in District 1; all with comfortable vote margins.

Johnson, Wadsworth and

Wright are all members of the Log Cabin (Republican) Club of Greater Sacramento and, as well, each are officers of the El Dorado AIDS Task Force. This is a second County Committee win for Paul Johnson having been elected previously in Solano County; and it is the fourth County Committee win for Wadsworth-having been elected previously in San Francisco (twice) and Solano counties. Wadsworth is also an elected director and President of the Grassy Run Community Services District.

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by John Batchelor **FLASH EDITOR**

With the annual Lambda Freedom Fair just around the corner (June 20), it gives me a chance to reflect on just how far the Sacramento

Feet athletic footwear chain, was named Small Business Person of the Year by the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce. Edwards founded her comapny in 1976, and it has grown from one store in

divulging any of the intimate details, it's safe to say that everyone had a laidback time. Many thanks. ▼ In celebration of Mike Tentis' birthday, a posse (or so it looked) of 28 men and a woman or two took to the

rafts. "Wild-Ass White Water Warriors" was our given name, albeit with a tad bit of embellishment. The day was a dream and so was Mike's better half Jeffery Farley. Let's do it again soon. V Congratulations to Patlar magazine on the celebration of its 10th anniversary. Special recognition to publisher Larry Lanham and editor Martin Casey. Everyone in the news business knows that it's not easy to survive 10 years. Here's to the next ten! ▼ RCDC provided both cash and volunteer workers in the recent city council campaigns. The club gave \$750 to Joe Serna, \$500 to Dan Flynn and \$500 to Darrell Steinberg. In addition, at

least 20 RCDC members

walked precincts, put up

lawn signs, called voters

and prepared mailings for

Serna, Flynn and Steinberg.

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The June mens gathering potluck featured "The June Wedding Reception" was crashed by a couple of gifts. Jeffery Grimes, the waffle iron, was spotted at the cake table with George Klumb, the toaster. Both were tastefully wrapped in silver with fabulous white

community has progressed. We are truly standing on our own. This well-organized event will undoubtedly make history. Attend the festival and be a vital part of this progress. The California Capital **Political Action Commit**tee (CAP PAC) 4th annual dinner was quite the event. Yours truly finally got the night off and attended his first dinner. A who's who of Sacramento was in attendance including numerous politicians (and candidates). Each speaker was more moving than the previous one and by the time the night was over, the audience was an emotional wreck! Especially entertaining was the Sacramento Women's Chorus with their rendition of "A Real Live Girl". The Sacramento Men's Chorus always brings tears to my eyes with "Sometimes When We Touch". And local performers portraying (true) Sacramento Stories IV was a superb education to every soul in the room. Mayor Anne Rudin received two standing ovations. And Dennis Mangers was extremely focused with a riveting "Call to Action". ▼ MGW photographer Pamela Coffey made the "Street Talk" section of the Sacramento **News and Review** (SN&R). The Question: Biggest Risk You Ever Took? Pamela's reply: I came out of the closet. Apparently she's continuing

that process with SN&R. Thanks for the honesty.

Sally Edwards, president and founder of the Fleet

Sacramento to 40 franchises in 13 states. Not long ago Mr. Flash sat near Ms. Edwards on a flight from LAX to Sacramento. However, he was not aware of her local prominence! Her perseverance is admired by us all. V Jerry Carlin and Paul Holzman have closed their new restaurant City Central at S & 4th due to lack of business, therefore, lack of money. Too bad-it was one of the best we had! W Happy June Birthday wishes to Rob Hunter of Galaxsea Cruises. Rob took 15 of his closest friends to Calaveras County on a wonderful getaway retreat. Since the week-end was completely off the record, my lips are sealed. Without



The Sacramento Mens Chorus hosted a performance by Schrillmanner, a gay mens chorus from Karlsruhe, Germany. The choir was touring the west coast performing a repetoir of traditional, contemporary, German, and American tunes. The performance at the Temple B'nai Israel was attended by 200 who found themselves charmed by the groups witty sense



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Commentary:

As We "Celebrate Our Gay Pride..." Looking at Things Differently

by Tim Kelleher GUEST COMMENTATOR

Recently I attended the monthly meeting of one of our community's leading organizations and was struck again by something I feel seriously ails our community. Rather like the difference between preventative and homeopathic medicine, or the difference between being task and process oriented, our ailment resides in our ability to see little beyond the issues of the day.

Let me make one thing clear up front. I don't wish in any way to imply a lack of purpose, dedication or sincerity on anyone's part who consider themselves members of our family. What I do want to point out is much more derisive. Specifically, as a community are seriously deficient in our ability to think and talk about the future. Our

future.

• Where do we want to be as a community in five years? In 10 years?

• What do we need to do more effectively now to help us get there?

• What milestones do we have to know we are on the right track?

• What rewards are we planning for ourselves along the way?

• What support do we need from one another as we move toward 2002?

• Who needs to know what our plans are, and how are we going to communicate our plans?

• What are other cities doing today that we would like to be doing in 10 years?

• What steps need to be taken now within the larger community, making it receptive and willing to participate over time?

• Who's in charge and speaking for us as a community?

• Why is he/she in charge?

• And what is the criteria for "being in charge?"

"...we are seriously deficient in our ability to think and talk about the future...our future..."

Take a look at the calendar of events for the months of May and June in our community. Between dances, dinners, musicals, fairs, walks, and who knows what else, our energy and time are sucked up from morning to night. I'm not knocking the vast array of things we do. What's being knocked is the obvious lack of focus on strategic planning (forethought, perhaps). Frankly, June looks like a re-enactment of the classic Oklahoma landrush. Get everyone lined up at the start of a week-end, having frantically begged them for monetary support in advance, get every club, organization, outreach group, political action team, the bars, the bed and breakfasts, the publications and enthusiasts of all persuasions, smiles on, collection baskets out-stretched, and yell "Yaho-o-o!"

Oh, I'm sorry, I forgot to mention that most certainly a good time is had by all. No question about it. I will feel like a more visible member of the community. A person with commitment. A participant in the on-going raising of consciousness we so critically need in our city. I will also head into July knowing that more money (or maybe less) will be spread around to an even bigger group of groups, organizations, clubs, et al, than the year before. A little here, a little there. And good ends will be served again.

That is all well and good! I would submit, however, that enough is enough. I think it's

hightime we do two things differently in our community.

First, schedule a community-wide discussion to outline the long-term strategies essential to the growth and prosperity of the Gay and Lesbian Community over the next five to ten years. Perhaps an open "Town Hall" format moderated by a professional facilitator. From that discussion, plan a subsequent series of open meetings to work out a message we can get behind.

Secondly, establish a "marketing strategy" and a promotion schedule that incorporates events/activities that otherwise mesh together in June (the Town Council would be very effective here) and aggressively publish our message to the right audiences in the right ways at the right time. Not too dissimilar to marketing any viable commodity these days.

This "master plan", if you will, would reach across all segments of the population, prioritizing the needs and issues (political, social, economic, service-based and educational), placing the best interest of the greater community ahead of individual or group needs (and greed). We have historically missed the point of forming coalitions here in Sacramento. With all due respect to the fine and laudable efforts of such groups as CAPPAC, SACWN, CARES, The AIDS Foundation, RCDC, SLCC, G.N.I.E., SMC, ACT UP, Queer Nation, Lambda Center, MCC, Gay Youth, PFLAG, SAGA, SACWN, RCB, the newspapers and so on and so on, the time has come to expand our thinking and planning efforts. Hundreds of little events and activities conducted by hundreds of groups and clubs does not a marketing strategy make. Think big and get big!

It frightens me that in our town recently two dining establishments serving our people have closed; that we are not supporting Mayor Anne Rudin in her bid to get "our" Domestic Partnership ordinance passed in City Hall before August of this year; that most fund-raising activities net dramatically less dollars than planned; that groups who by charter are to serve our community can barely keep their lean yet mean staffs employed; that the "A" gays (to borrow a Maupin term) are becoming the upper class in a social structure based on similarities, not distinctions, that "my mailing list" won't be merged with "your mailing list", that infighting, not unity of purpose, is played out with such relish every day across this town. We're bigger than all this. In fact, we're a lot better than we think.

Maybe these thoughts seem unrealistic. Maybe they seem naive. But maybe they are the stuff from which changes emerges. Maybe it would only take one well-organized "Town Hall" meeting to find out. Maybe it would take all day. Maybe we could spark looking at things differently for a change. Maybe some icons would be smashed, some sacred cows slain. If the world looks bigger through the small end of a telescope, maybe as a community we could start looking through that end. The future might not appear so small and far away.

Save...take back to your organization and make a plan.

CAP PAC Dinner Brings the Community Together with Unprecedented Style

by John Mello OF MGW STAFF

A long bipartisan list of local and Bay Area elected officials as well as hopefuls joined Sacramento's gay and lesbian community leaders, their families and friends at a glittering cocktail party, dinner and show in the Metro Room of the Convention Center for CAP PAC's annual event. Among those in attendance were Assemblyman (now Superior Court Judge) Lloyd Connelly and wife Rev. Jean Shaw Connelly, Assemblyman Phil Isenberg and wife Marilyn, Sacramento County Supervisors Grantland Johnson and Illa Collin, Sacramento City Council members Heather Fargo, Lyla Ferris, Kim Mueller, Josh Pané, Lynn Robie and (now Mayor) Joe Serna, Superior Court Judge Ron Robie, Deputy Chiefs Lee Dohm and Jerry Ledbetter of the Sacramento Police Department, San Francisco Supervisors Roberta Achtenberg and Carole Midgen, DMV Chief Deputy Director Anne Bersinger, Secretary of State Chief Deputy Tony Miller, El Dorado County Republican Central Committee members Paul Johnson, Kevin Wadsworth and Dick Wright, EDD Special Assistant Doug Brown, representatives from the offices of Congressman Robert Matsui and Lt. Governor Leo McCarthy, as well as a number of candidates for local elections. Among other well-known local leaders who were asked to stand and receive a big round of applause were Lou Camera, David West, Jayne Rountree, Linda Birner, Tom Burns, Carolyn Langenkamp, Lily Andrews, Shannon Lindauer, Boyce Hinman, Larry Beaty, Katie Merrill, Geni Cowan, Mary Smith, Marty Keller, Dr. Neil Flynn, Alan Lofaso and Ellen French. The parents of gays and lesbians in attendance were also asked to take a bow. Dennis Mangers emceed with tremendous panache in spite of a faltering sound system.

Performances were given by the Sacramento Women's Chorus and the Sacramento Men's Chorus. The Men's Chorus gave "Sometime When We Touch", which again elicited muffled sobbing around the room as it did when they appeared in the recent *Heart Strings* show. "Sacramento Stories IV", a play put together by Greg Peterson of the Lambda Center from oral histories of young Sacramento-area gay and lesbian students, touched on many issues from coming of age surrounded by death, to teen-age hustling, to self-censorship and being concerned about presenting the right kind of image, to the meaning of teaching, and created a deeply felt message that added a great deal of substance to the evening.

Councilwoman Kim Mueller gave the keynote speech, affirming her long-time support of our community and making her farewells as she

leaves public office to enter law school.

The big attraction was an affectionate and free-wheeling look backwards at the successful and rewarding career of Mayor Anne Rudin, who was dressed in a sensational shocking pink mioré silk suit. She spoke of many things she would come to miss, like having the opportunity to do things few people can do and working together with the gay community toward the equality we all seek. She reflected on how "diversity can be destructive...there are even divisions within the gay community into Democrat and Republican, but there is that common bond, for example, when someone is a victim of a hate crime. I think you show more understanding and compassion than any other community I have seen." She congratulated gays and lesbians for setting the norms for the community at large by coming out, and made the comparison that "small incidents all add up like allergy shots. As you were more open, we saw more prejudice. I'm beginning to think that tradition is the refuge of the insecure...equality has to be for everyone and this is an ideal time where we have candidates that support gays. You have the power to let bad things happen or make good things happen. I never give advice to my successors, but I will say that they will never have a more supportive group than there is in this room." She mused on how "this is the way to go out of office, in true feminist style...to say thank you, and have it be my decision. After this I'm going to do anything I damn please and be an ordinary person again. I think it's time for me to change direction and do some fun things like lobby the council!"

Emcee Dennis Mangers closed the program with a stirring "Call to Action" and covered a lot of political ground. Among his remarks: "CAP PAC has gone out and looked at every candidate running for any office this year. If their answers were strong on behalf of gay and lesbian rights, we gave them some of your money and in many cases worked on their campaigns. We publish a newsletter and put their names on a CAP PAC slate in our local gay newspapers so you will know where the union of local gays and lesbians recommends you place your vote. We wish we could do more...but freedom is eventually won universally from the bottom up. If we can change the face of this Capital of California we can set an example for the state government that meets here...Help us make the difference for you and us and the children who follow. There are 30% more suicides among gay and lesbian youth. Let's show them there is something worth living for and fighting for in this great city and this great

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Photo by Brian Ashby Sacramento Mayor Anne Rudin was honored at a dinner by CAP PAC on May 30th. Mayor Rudin, a long-time friend and supporter of Sacramento's gay and lesbian community, spoke with warmth about her early days getting to know the community and how important the community has been to her success as Sacramento's first woman mayor.

Local actors presented a collection of Sacramento Stories to attendees of the CAP PAC dinner on May 30th. The stories depicted the diversity of the gay and lesbian community in honest and often funny ways. Featured were Susan Goodrich, Steve Winlock, Kevin McLemore, Toby Belmont, and Lee Cranfield. The production was written by Gregg Peterson and directed by Neil Treganza.

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Reporter Denied GLPA Credentials

by Marghe Covino **OF MGW STAFF**

Keith Clark, a San Francisco-based syndicated writer who sells most of his work to gay and lesbian publications around the country was denied press credentials by the Gay and Lesbian Press Association (GLPA) at its national convention at the Cathedral Hill Hotel May 22 - 24. Clark filed a complaint with the San Francisco Human Rights Commission alleging discrimination under the City's ordinances regarding sexual orientation.

Clark also writes for non-gay publications and, on assignment for S.F. Weekly, was to cover a workshop dealing with the controversies surrounding the increasing use of non-gay Associated Press and United Press International news wire services by gay and lesbian publications as part of a larger article. Neither Clark or S.F. Weekly are members of the GLPA. "I talked to Randy Curry who is the Executive

Director of the Association," Clark said, "and I explained that I had an assignment from a paper to cover just that one workshop. Curry told me that GLPA has a policy of not giving press credentials to anyone who writes for the gay and lesbian press. When I pointed out that my assignment was from a non-gay paper. Curry said that didn't matter because I write for the gay and lesbian press. I asked Curry if I were simply a reporter for the San Francisco Chronicle or The Examiner and didn't write for any gay publications if I would be credentialed and he indicated that was correct—that it is GLPA policy not to give credentials to anyone working in the gay press,"

Curry agreed, "I have a board I'm responsible to," he said. "The national conference is a major source of

revenue for the Association and if we gave press credentials to writers in the gay press we'd lose out on

San Francisco Human Rights Commission staff member Larry Brinkin has brought the matter to the City

Attorney to determine if this is a violation of the city ordinances and to determine if there is a violation of the

registration fees because people could simply claim they were covering the meeting for an article.'

Unruh Act which covers discrimination in housing, employment and public accommodations.

The Gay/Lesbian Press Association Conference: **Providing an Alternative Point of** View

by Elisabeth Pyle **OF MGW STAFF**

Chronicle or the Sacramento Bee.

The annual meeting/conference of the Gay and Lesbian Press Association was held at the Cathedral Hill Hotel in San Francisco and had attenders from New Jersey, Wisconsin, San Francisco and points in between...which includes Los Angeles, even if that isn't really a point in between.

This is the group that publishes the Advocate, Bay Times, Frontiers and other gay/lesbian magazines and This group edits and publishes and determines what is news to the community that you don't read in the

Editors and Publishers and Writers could select workshops on health issues, art criticism, investigative reporting and the use of wire services. It was an opportunity for free-lancers to meet the people that might prevail of their services and the publisher/editors to talk to fellow artists to discussthe writing material

The good news to the reader is that all in attendance agreed to no longer rely on the wire services to tell them what is happening in sister cities but to call and verify the news. Examples were given of an unruly crowd of lesbians and gays in Los Angeles and in Wisconsin that AP reported broke windows and staged protests that never occurred. The good news to the reader is that it was in error for a book reviewer or music critic to allow lesbian and gay works to look to one side on movement productions just because the performer was lesbian and gay. We will not have quality entertainment if we accept the performer on sexual preference

and not quality of performance. The good news to a Mom, Guess What reader is that MGW was voted first place in the photojournalism. Photo Editor in 1991, Pamela Coffey's work was recognized for her outstanding achievement.

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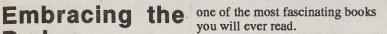
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Dark

Reviewed by Elisabeth Pyle OF MGW STAFF

Embracing the Dark Eric Garber, editor, Alyson Publications, 1991, 190 pages, \$8.95 paperback.

Editor Garber has selected 11 short creepy, frightening, scary tales of the supernatural with one common theme, the hero or heroine is gay or lesbian. How delightful that we are not the werewolf or vampire! Well, maybe not the were wolf or vampire all the time.



BadBoys and Tough Tattoos is a semi-autobiographical account of the author's observations on tattooing, or as he puts it, "tattoodling." Steward prefaces the book by stating that it is all his personal opinion and that each and every observation could begin with the phrase "it seems to me.'

Steward makes his observations from a unique vantage point. As a former academician and Ph.D. he was able to utilize the skills of a scholar even while gaining and maintaining the confidence of those around him by providing good work



The stories range from the supernatural to the Stephen King style of terror. The collection is arranged so that the stories grow in intensity to scare or absolute fear.

Nina Kiriki Hoffman's excellent story, Works of Art, is a skillfully woven tale of the dominance of an art work in the lives of two lovers. The artist only allows one of his creations to exist at once and the time has come for the destruction of the sculpture the two women own. A startling end is only a precursor for the tales that follow. Jay B. Laws' Imagined, the story of a writer who allows his fictionalized macho stud to be his midnight lover, and Jess Wells' The Succubus, in which a single lesbian is the object of a demon flame, contain some of the most erotic passages of lust that short fiction has provided in some time.

To edit an anthology is to use a fine hand to assemble like works in an edition that flow and lead the reader through the collection or allow you to pick and choose what interests you at the moment. Garber is commended for an outstanding collection and a sublime sense of the macabre.

An Insightful Look at "Tattoodling"

Reviewed by M. Kiefer **OF MGW STAFF**

Bad Boys and Tough Tattoos, by Samuel M. Steward, Ph.D., Harrington Park Press, 198 pages.

If you are looking for a manual on tattoos, Bad Boys and Tough Tattoos, by Samuel Steward, is not the book for you. If you are interested in intelligent observations about the motivations for getting a tattoo or a colorful account for the characters involved, then Steward's social history of the tattoo could be



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at reasonable rates. He decries the cut-throat practices of many tattoo artists of the time and offers sound advice to those who may be seeking a tattoo.

Written entirely in the first person, a careful reader can gain wonderful insights not only into the motivations of the individuals getting tattooed, but also into the personality of the author. In many respects he displays an attitude of superiority for which he condemns so many others in our "repressive" society, and one can only wonder what could motivate a scholar to relinquish his position in academia to pursue a life of tattooing. His numerous references to Dr. Kinsey and the Kinsey Institute is perhaps only another indication of his desire to legitimize his own choice.

Much of the book is spent exploring the sexual motivations for getting tattooed, and he lists quite a few. Steward further discusses the folklore of tattooing and attempts to legitimize the art to the reader.

In short, Bad Boys and Tough Tattoos is sometimes dry but is usually an interesting work filled with anecdotes about the characters and motivations in the tattooing process. For someone interested in an insightful look at the art of tattooing, Steward's account would be a good place to look.▼

Complete **Guide to AIDS** Resources Available

Reviewed by M. Kiefer **OF MGW STAFF**

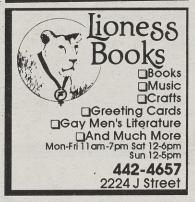
How to Find Information about AIDS, edited by Jeffrey T. Huber, Ph.D., Harrington Park Press, 244 pages+indices, \$14.95 hardbound.

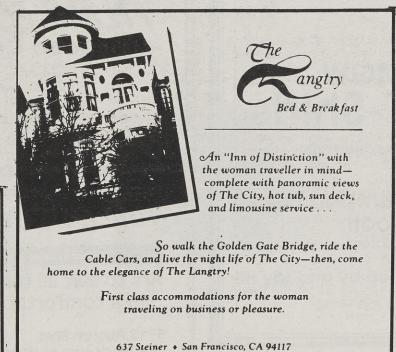
How to Find Information About AIDS is a reference book containing addresses and phone numbers for organizations that can be used not only by the victim of AIDS, but also by individuals who know people affected by this modern day plague.

For the person who needs more information on AIDS or AIDS-related support, this book is a wonderful place to start. It is clearly written, cross-referenced, and contains information on local, state and national organizations that one can contact for necessary information. Included in its pages are medical centers, university programs, government programs and charities, all of which have a vested interest in assisting those affected by HIV.

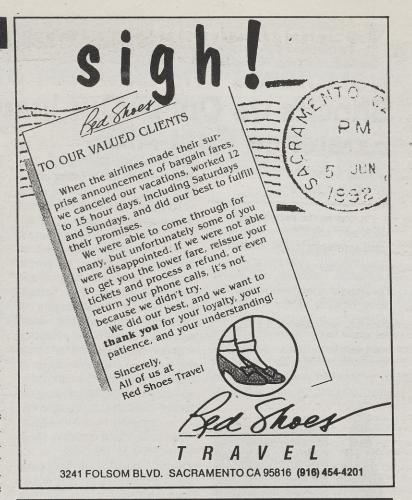
This book is not for the individual seeking to learn about the AIDS epidemic or the HIV that causes the AIDS condition. It is a directory of sources and resources in the AIDS information area and can make it easier for anyone, whether medical professional or layperson, to find information on AIDS.







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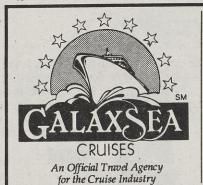
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Holsclaw's The Baddest of Boys **Shocks Us Out of Our Inauthentic Existence Post-AIDS**

by John Mello OF MGW STAFF

It was not be possible here to reach any objective conclusions when approaching The Baddest of Boys critically. According to Martin Esslin's landmark 1961 work, The Theater of the Absurd (which is being referred to heavily in this review), "by being made to see that the world has become absurd [we take] the first step in coming to terms with reality." This coming to terms must be individual, and so admittedly are our reactions to an



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reviewer feels that wanting to bolt from one's seat through an entire performance and then, perplexed and steamed up, refusing to applaud in fury at the final curtain are among the appropriately solicited responses to this genre. The people in the audience who laughed and applauded because they thought they were at the latest naughty but chic San Francisco gay black comedy must uncritically accepting what they perceive to be "art forms still based on the continuation of standards and concepts that [transmit] the possibility of knowing the laws of conduct and ultimate values, as deducible from a firm foundation of revealed certainty about the purpose of man [sic] in the universe." Possibly the many naturalistic elements of the play and its elegant sets put people on the wrong scent. Laughing may be enough of a first step. Holsclaw told me that audiences would laugh unpredictably during last year's Don't Make Me Say Things That Will Hurt You which had moments of scalding anger and pain. Write your own review.

absurd play like Holsclaw's. This Holocaust Play or Theater of the Absurd-You Decide

> It can't be a black comedy because we have not been made to laugh at pain, suffering or serious emotion. We know that people are dying of AIDS, but, strictly speaking, we are not shown these things. The cast of five characters (six if you count the moribund PWAwhat an outrage to caricature and objectify persons with AIDS! who we only see represented in his bed as a kind of satanic jack-olantern) are drawn together in a cafe to wait for the death of its owner so they can collect their share of the will. It opens with a voice-over of a Jewish patriarch (to the Flying Dutchman overture of that proto-Nazi Wagner) intoning a law against touching dead bodies. "I had to touch a dead body-how do I become clean again?" Jewish law, Wagner (also the condemned crew of the Dutchman) plus dead bodies bring the Holocaust to mind.Is Holsclaw criticizing the way many of us have compared the AIDS epidemic to the Holocaust?

Artists Fashion Show: "Carhops" Lost in Time

For the past ten years, the Artists Fashion Show has been showcasing the arts in downtown Sacramento. The A.F.S., produced by Gloria Burt, provides an opportunity for the area's diverse visual arts community to present their work in a popular entertainment format. Prominent visual artists create works of art that are brought to life through comedy, music and

Carhops, Lost in Time, written by David Spagenburg and directed by Dexter Smith, parodies "Wide World of Sports" with commentators, "Burt Rowdy" and "Tin McFey", taking a hilarious look at famous milestones in the history of art from cave painting through future time. Segments will lampoon art and artists, spoofing eccentric personalities and techniques.

The Artists Fashion Show is designed to be a real cooperative effort involving the whole spectrum of Sacramento's richly divergent arts/cultural community. Local actors, singers and dancers will provide their talents. The show also features characters from the local cult musical classic Carhops in Bondage and surprise cameo appearances by special Sacramento celebrities.

A block party for A.F.S. ticketholders and the show's talented ensemble will follow the Saturday night performance. It will be staged on the plaza behind the Hyatt Hotel (13th & K Streets). There will be music for dancing, two no-host bars and cafes on the plaza will be open late.

This year the two hour extravaganza will benefit Hope House and the Center for Contemporary Art. It will be staged for two nights, June 20-21, at the historic Crest Theater (10th & K Streets).▼

SAC Gay/Lesbian Town Council Elects New

The Sacramento Gay/Lesbian Town Council recently elected a new slate of officers to oversee its expanding operations. Newly elected officers include Scott Farrell, Secretary; John Flick, Treasurer; Jim Ulisse, Vice-Moderator; and Mike Boyd, Moderator. They will begin performing their duties at the next town council meeting.

New Chorale CD is Superb!

Reviewed by Carl K. Naluai **OF MGW STAFF**

Turtle Creek Chorale's longawaited third CD is finally here! Their first two CDs, "From the Heart" and "Peace" are wonderful collections of superbly sung music but, great as these two CDs are, they are simply fluff in comparison to "When We No Longer Touch: A Cycle of Songs for Survival."

TCC, the Dallas-based 190+ male vocal ensemble under the inspired direction of Dr. Timothy Seelig outdoes themselves, and it would be an understatement to say that they provide us with a stellar performance. They are ably assisted in this endeavor with some fine solo performances by Craig Gregory, Nancy Kieth and John Carroll. Kieth is especially notable; her singing reminds me of a young Barbara Cook-quite moving and lovely. But the core of this performance is neither the chorus nor the soloists. The true star is TCC's resident composer/arranger, Kristopher Jon Anthony. I had always thought of his work as eclectic and derivative, but in this mammoth work (36 minutes in length), he shows glimmers of true genius.

"When We No Longer Touch" is an amazing and mind-boggling work. Nothing I can say, however, can prepare you for its full emotional impact. To put it bluntly, some will hate it, citing that it is too serious and depressing. Others will instantly identify and fall in love with it because it speaks to them of their own personal trials and jour-

Anthony juxtaposes the poetry of Peter McWilliams with excerpts from the Latin Mass for the Dead. But, this is no ordinary requiem.

He has successfully combined in this one composition the sensitivity of Britten with the scope and imagination of Bernstein, and the power and theatricality of Sondheim. What makes this composition even more unique is that its seven movements systematically illustrate the stages of grieving that an individual must pass through on their way back to life and living after the death of a lover. The work has all the ear marks of a first-class film score, except the drama it underscores is not being shown on screens in darkened theaters but is being played out, on a daily basis, in the lives of so many in our own community. One cannot listen to this work and not be moved.

Also included on this CD is Anthony's string quartet "Traces of Myself", which is also inspired by McWilliam's poetry. Somewhat of an after-thought in comparison to "When We No Longer Touch", it allows the listener the opportunity to make a smooth transition back to some personal sense of normalcy.

This CD and the project that resulted in the production of this CD is dedicated to the many members of TCC who have died from AIDS, and the proceeds from the sale of this CD are to benefit the American Foundation for AIDS Research.

This project, Anthony, Seelig, TCC and soloists deserve five gold stars out of four!



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There is a tendency, when reviewing charity events, to wish to avoid being too critical because our hearts are really with the producers, artistic staff, performers and volunteers who have donated hundreds of hours of time to help support our sagging AIDS agencies as they go to work every day in a state of siege. We don't hold up the same standards for these casts, most of whom are amateurs, but benefit shows in themselves are presented as community-wide cultural events and, in the case of Chicago, may convey questionable messages as works of art that must not be accepted uncritically as "entertainment". Since Performing Artists for AIDS-Related Charities (PAARC) represents the contributions of many outstanding members of our gay, lesbian and HIV/ PWA community, principally its founder and president Robbie Backer, one wonders why this musical was chosen with its highly offensive gay and lesbian stereotypes and oppressively sexist text. Lines like "They [gangsters] shoot the girls right out from under you" ordinarily would cause me to walk out if I had not agreed to review the

There are many good reasons for reviving Fosse musicals, among them their attractive, imperishable scores, their straightforwardness and simplicity of style, and most importantly their opportunities for dance. The musical values in this production were strongly upheld by a sparkling band put together from members of the Camellia Symphony and the Sacramento Traditional Jazz Society (special mention should be made of Alfred Ashley, violin; Ed Turner, banjo; and Larry Salerno, percussion; as well as a tight brass section). Balanchine once commented that if you didn't like his choreography you could close your eyes and enjoy the orchestra because he always insisted that the music came first. This production of Chicago, a case of a Fosse musical paradoxically lacking an emphasis on dance (as well as good singing), provided

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the same relief. We expect choreographers to be original (Fosse's signature hand jive, slouch and turnin positions have been copied to death anyway), but without dance emphasis the show's Weimaresque black underpinnings are revealed to be nothing but tattered and dusty old cynicisms.

It is shocking to remember that

Chicago was done as far into gay liberation as 1976, because it would seem that its gay and lesbian stereotypes should have drawn protests. People who are nostalgic for the 70s need to take a stiff drought of this medicine. Matron Morton, "Mama" to the girls of the women's house of detention, celebrates the grotesque bulldyke guard stereotype (a stepsister of the gym coach played by Nancy Parsons in the popular Porky films, who has also done guards) demanding bribes, dispensing gin or bourbon and molesting her heterosexual inmates. She is even addressed as "Butch" and "Diesel" by the swinish attorney Billy Flynn, who also takes a swipe at an effeminate tailor who he refers to as a "dumb fruit!" There is an additional reference to a limp-wristed Irving in the "cell Block Tango" number. Does the gay community need to support this? What about giving a break to some local struggling playwright instead? Perhaps PAARC is trying to make that fund-raising crossover (read doublecross) to a wider (straighter) audience. The Act 2 song "Razzle Dazzle" talks about 'give 'em the old hocus pocus". Fosse musicals have a loyal audience wherever they are mounted. The Bee reviewer found it to be quite good, though "gritty". Congratulations.

When we come to critically evaluating their performances, one has to admit that, politics aside, Mary Ethridge as Matron Morton and Bill Madden as Billy Flynn gave powerful, definitive readings of these unsympathetic characters—brutish, lecherous and butt-Their looks created a most effec- AIDS.

tive stage picture (Madden was stripped down to his underwear at one point). They completely overshadowed the rest of the cast, including the two female principals, all who seemed to have trouble maintaining momentum and creating the necessary stage business. Someone please cast these two gifted actors in something worth-

"...may convey questionable messages as works of art..."

In the final number, "Nowadays", we see the two scot-free murderers who have become vaudeville stars revelling in, "It's heaven nowadays...we are examples of what a wonderful country America is." Earlier in jail they had been lamenting how "the whole world's a low-brow...what ever happened to old values and fine morals and good breeding?" There are some interpretations of Chicago as symbolic of Fosse's own struggle as a young hoofer in that city, but they don't mention these disturbing messages it contains about where power lies in this country and how corrupt people consider themselves arbiters of morality (the word "breeding" brings race to mind). These dark messages are at odds with their bright delivery via a sexy showgirl shtick and therefore go over most audiences' heads. One assumes that the financial pressure to create a hit forces the producers to insist on an upbeat ending consistent with the genre that will be acceptable to the widest possible audience. Let's encourage original works of theater from Robbie Becker that will reject this consumerist attitude and move the community with the reality of his perugly—that would stand up on film. sonal experience as a person with

'Nearer My VCR to Thee' Network Q's Monthly **Videozine Debuts This** August

by Keith Clark **OF MGW STAFF**

LAS VEGAS — It's here, it's queer, and it ain't on TV. But Network Q, a subscription video magazine, is coming this August to a mailbox at your home - at least if David Surber, who heads Network Q has his way.

A native of Orange County in Southern California (better known as "Dannemeyer country"), Surber, 31, says Network Q will soon be opening an office in the Los Angeles area for production purposes. In the meantime, Surber's background in producing broadcast quality television commercials should put him in good standing both with the video technology needed to produce the monthly videozine and with the advertising contacts necessary to financially help support the

The premiere issue is slated to debut in August, and Surber says the initial response to ads for Network Q have been very good. "So far, the conversations I've had with people who have been doing [local gay television] have been enormously positive," he said. "They're very excited about the idea of finally having an audience that goes beyond their hometown for what they've been working on for years."

Surber readily admits Network Q represents "a big evolutionary step," not only in terms of taking gay media to a whole net format, but also by taking it to level of professionalism by creating "a more mainstream look for gay programming."

Surber says he wants it to include regular travel programs, comedy, reviews and documentary programming. "We don't want to be on the one hand real frivolous," he says, "but we do want to have fun. We want to have a balanced dose of good solid information and reporting as well as entertainment."

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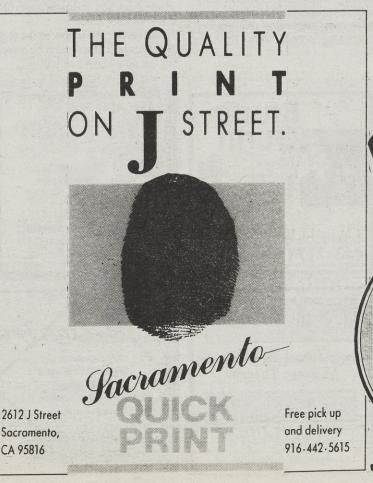
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A multi-million-dollar CNN it may not be, but that doesn't keep Surber from dreaming as widely as a Ted Turner about the future of Network Q, which he say he envisions ultimately head toward commercial cable television. "It's part of our plan. If you look around at the efforts [in gay TV] around the country, there are significant barriers to making that a commercially viable thing right now. So from our perspective it looks like the subscription is the logical way to but."

But with the kind of half-serious laugh that sometimes helps turn an ordinary young man into a self-made millionaire, Surber chuckles, "But as soon as I get \$20 million I'd love to buy my own satellite and start working our way into cable systems."

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Is The Glass Half Empty or Half Full? Do We Stay in the Church?

by Jeanne Barnett **GUEST REPORTER**

My family partner, Ellie Charlton, and I recently returned from Louisville, KY after attending the General Conference of the United Methodist Church. Once every four years, Methodists elect delegates from around the world to vote the church's policies, positions and budget for the next four

For twenty years, a volatile topic for debate and decisions has been homosexuality. In 1972, Methodists put in their Book of Discipline that "we do not condone the practice of homosexuality and consider the practice incompatible with Christian teaching." The topic has been emotionally debated at every General Conference since that decision.

In 1988, the Conference decided to form a Committee to Study Homosexuality. In this group of 27, two members were homosexual persons, one lesbian and one gay man. I was the lesbian on the committee. I was a member of the presentation panel when the study group made its report in Louisville.

How does one view the Conference's actions on homosexuality? Is the glass half empty or is it half full? On May 11, the significant vote was on a motion to change the Discipline from condemnation to the truthful statement that "the church has been unable to arrive at a common mind on the compatibility of homosexual practice with Christian faith.'

This motion was defeated: "Yes" - 372; "No" - 594. The condemning language was retained. When the voting was finished the

delegates were led in singing the hymn "Standing on the Promises" joyously and celebratively. I thought that we were really standing on the bodies of gay men and lesbians. When that hymn finished and the delegates were seated, the Affirmation (unofficial gay caucus) folks stood and sang, "We Shall Overcome Someday." Slowly across the hall others stood and

Monday night in the Affirmation hospitality room many folks gathered to hold one another, cry and express anger. A mother and father whose son was gay were there, the mother, wiping away her tears, said, "I thought we might change it this time." A lesbian, who has a church job, is closeted, and can't speak out publicly, in tears said to me, "Don't quit, you have to keep working." A young gay man from the local area explained that the Affirmation group of five could not find a Louisville church in which to meet. He urged all of us to keep working for change.

Tuesday morning Ellie and I were at the convention center when a clergy woman from Missouri told us, "I wanted to call my gay brother last night and tell him the church had changed. I couldn't." Then, sobbing, "I don't know what to tell him now."

I have heard some church people say it doesn't make any difference, we welcome all persons. It clearly does make a difference in the lives of thousands of United Methodists who are homosexual, their parents, family, loved ones and friends. With these vivid memories my glass is half empty.

But is the glass half full?

A question I have been asked

since my return is, "Are you going to stay in the church?" It is always interesting, first that I am asked that question. I am a multi-generational Methodist. Why should I

Secondly, I hear in that question some understanding of the personal pain a homosexual person goes through in staying in the church. The real question is, "When the church is so oppressive and inflicts such pain on homosexual persons, why do you stay? Do you go to church to receive pain? To be named as less than fully human? To be denied full participation?" No, I go to church to be enriched in faith and to be a participant in the community of believers. I go to church as a witness within the community of faith that the church's position is wrong.

Thirdly, I hear that question from allies, heterosexual folks who believe the church is wrong and must change its position. Homosexual persons cannot change the church's position. We are not a majority, not elected delegates, denied opportunity to speak. So we stay and join with others who share the vision of a fully inclusive and welcoming church for all persons, including gay men, lesbians and

For me, truly, the glass is half full. The conference received the Study Committee's work for study and use across the church. And the conference passed a new paragraph in the Discipline on the Rights of Homosexual Persons, addressing human rights and civil liberties.

As a response to this General Conference, concerned United Methodists from across the country will join together in worship during the week of June 20-28 to heal the wounds opened by this General Conference and to stand in solidarity with lesbian/gay/bisexual United Methodists.

The service for the Sacramento area will be June 20, 7pm, at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Mark's Way. District Superintendent Ronald Swisher and other clergy will participate in the worship. Jim and Jean Strathdee will lead the music. Everyone is welcome to attend this service of healing. If you stand with us, please

Jeanne and Ellie both hold elected leadership positions in the California-Nevada Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Ellie is chairperson of the Commission on the Status and Role of Women. Jeanne is chairperson of the Reconciling Conference Committee, formed in 1983 when this Conference declared that it welcomes gay men and lesbians at every level of the church.

Election Year "Quote/ Unquotables"

by Keith Clark **OF MGW STAFF**

Tumultuous elections sometimes produce memorable quotes, like the 1952 presidential campaign when Dwight D. Eisenhower uttered that immortal Zen truth: "Things are more like they are now than they ever were before."

The 1992 campaign year may not be able to top Ike's enigmatic utterance, but it has produced its share of quotable gems. Here are a handful for your delectation:

"Every lesbian spearchucker in this country is hoping I get defeated. Every abortionist doctor is hoping I get defeated." -Rep. Robert Dornan (R-Garden Grove)

• "I like to play the saxophone because you don't inhale." -- Gov. Bill Clinton

· "I don't want to be charged with child abuse." — Pat Buchanan, saying he didn't want to get into a verbal war with Vice President Dan Quayle

• "I came from a disadvantaged home. They were Republicans." - - Paul **Tsongas**

• "I will be Jesse Helms' worst nightmare." — Rep. Barbara Boxer, candidate for the U.S. Senate

• "A lot of people voting for Pat Buchanan say they are doing so to send a message. Apparently that message is, 'Hey, look at me, I'm an idiot." — Dennis Miller, TV talk-show host

• "Paul Tsongas is too responsible to be president." -Former President Richard Nixon

Second Rights Bill Passes in **California Assembly**

by Keith Clark **OF MGW STAFF**

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The California Assembly narrowly passed a broad civil rights bill that would prohibit employment, housing and education bias against minorities, including gays and lesbians, women and the handicapped that its supporters say have been overturned or weakened by recent court rulings or, in the case of discrimination against gays and lesbians, simply don't exist in state law. It is the second gay rights bill the Assembly has approved in May.

The massive Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1992, sponsored by the powerful speaker of the Assembly, Willie Brown (D-San Francisco), would bar "English-only" rules by employers, strengthen antibias laws protecting the disabled, including people with HIV and

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The most controversial part of the legislation are the anti-discrimination provisions protecting gays and lesbians in employment and housing. That set of protections was objected to by conservative legislators in the Assembly for a variety of reasons, including the fact that similar protections were vetoed by Gov. Pete Wilson last

Earlier in May, the Assembly also approved another gay rights bill that would extend employment discrimination protections to include gays and lesbians under the state's Labor Code.

That earlier bill is now in the state Senate where it will now be joined by the new Brown bill.

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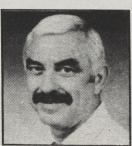
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A Clean Pet Vs An Aching Back

by Joan B. Guertin OF MGW STAFF

We are now well into the summer season and along with it comes the realization that the family dog is still sporting his winter coatwell, at least that part of it that hasn't shed all over the carpet. It is definitely time to get the old fellow brushed out and bathed. Sometimes that's easier said than done.

I don't know why we manage to neglect the poor guy during the winter unless it is the misguided notion that brushing will rid him of the coat he needs for warmth. Nevertheless, the pup is probably long overdue for a good grooming and a bath. Of course, another tell-tale sign that a bath and brushing is due is the fact that warm weather tends to make the dirty coat more fragrant, and a doggy-smelling dog is no fun to have around.

If the coat is fairly short and the dog does not sport a dense undercoat, the grooming process is simple--a slicker brush will take out the dead hair, and the bath will remove the rest. The problem dog is one with heavy, long hair. The undercoat is often matted so badly that no amount of brushing will help. For these jobs you most likely will need to call on the services of a professional groomer unless you are willing to spend hours brushing and picking out the

Unfortunately, a matted dog can present other problems. Under those matts are usually nests of fleas and often sores. Discovering such a mess can result in horrible guilt pangs when we realize just what our neglect has caused our buddy. And it isn't only the family dog that gets into this condition. Tabby cat can suffer the same problems. The solution is, of course, to maintain a year-round regimen of grooming. It only takes a few minutes a day to run a brush over your dog or cat's coat. They will enjoy the attention and you may discover skin problems that you would not have found otherwise.

It is almost physically painful to watch a groomer at work on a dog that has been sorely neglected. Usually they arrive at the groomers long past the point when simple brushing will make a difference. In shaving off the coat to rid it of matts, the discovery of skin problems, sometimes even open sores, is heartbreaking. The family pet deserves better. The nails are also often neglected. For some reason, remembering that the dog deserves a manicure seems to be a problem for some people. It gets relegated to one of those chores that gets done once a year when the pet goes to the vet. Dog's nails grow very fast, and the quick moves out to a point where it is very difficult to get the nails short enough to be comfortable. When you can hear your dog's nails clicking on the floor, you know that they are too long. They should be trimmed back at least once a month. I do my dogs'

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nails at least once a week. It prevents the feet from spreading and helps keep the dog up on his pads. Dew claws, those "extra" nails on the dies of the dog's legs, need regular attention. I have seen some so long that they grew back around and pierced the skin!

Most of us would be appalled if we neglected our own personal grooming. We take regular baths, brush our hair, manicure our nails. Why do these services only once a year for the family pet!

I know...bathing the dog brings with it the agonizing thoughts of an aching back. Even I cringe at the thought of putting the dogs (and I have several) into the tub because I know it will just kill my back. In the summer, with the aid of a washtub, I move the bathing outdoors, but there again, the bending is downright uncomfortable, so I empathize with you. However, there is now a solution...a clean dog and no aching back!

About eight years ago when I first moved to town, I discovered the pleasures of the dog wash. Tom at Tom's Feed in Elk Grove had one. It's a really neat arrangement with a tub mounted so the bather could stand up straight and easily reached by a ramp that the dog was more than happy to traverse. The service came complete with towels, a dryer and shampoo if I needed to purchase it; however, I usually had my own.

Three years ago a young couple by the name of Kim and John Engstrom opened a franchise operation called Shampoo Chez in Carmichael. It was like Tom's setup, only it included more tubs. A year later when I moved to Carmichael, I found them and regularly used the service to keep my pets clean and healthy. What a pleasure to have no aching back! It also kept the dogs out of the dirt and grass which is exactly where they want to go to roll as soon as you have them nice and clean.

Recently John decided that it was time to move on to other endeavors and was looking to pass the business on to someone else. Since I figured I had stock in the company anyway after constant use for two years...I leased it. It's now just called The Dog Wash and you can wash and dry the dog yourself, leave it and we will do it, or take advantage of the full service groomer on the premises. We are located at 6241-2 Fair Oaks Blvd. in Carmichael, 448-BATH (2284). Hours are 10-5:30 Tue-Fri and 9-6 on Saturday. We'll have a grand opening celebration from June 27-July 3. We will also be doing puppy classes and some dog training inside under the air conditioning. And as soon as it's feasible we will be starting a Puppy Day Care Service for those who need help in housetraining their puppies. It should be especially helpful for working people. Check us out...you may never wash your dog at home

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Baddest Boys

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There are those who feel that such a comparison is irresponsible and diminishes the significance of the Holocaust experience, which "challenges us to define in the most personal terms the nature of good and evil in the world and in ourselves...[and] tests our deepest faith and raises doubt about the possibility of hope, and thus of continuance and survival" (Robert Skloot, 1979). There are some who argue that no art can be fashioned from the Holocaust experience at all because it is impossible to speak of the unspeakable. The difference (aside from concrete ones like gas chambers versus virus and relative figures like six million Jews versus estimates in the thousands) is one of intent. Our government has been shown to have been negligent and homophobic in responding to the AIDS crisis. Can we seriously comprehend such a comparison? Holsclaw has tried to shock us out of such mechanical assumptions. World War II stopped the Holocaust, though it did not erase Nazism. We have no way in sight of stopping the AIDS epidemic, so comparing it to the Holocaust is not coming to terms with its reality. The element of evil is a secondary gray area. Therefore we may not classify this as a Holocaust play to come out of one of the hardest hit

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"There's a dead man in the cooler" solicits the response "Is he cute?" and "It's getting so hard to get rid of a caregivers; where's your anger?"

People tell me they think these extreme plays are his way of dealing with his HIV status. We should be deeply grateful for artists of this magnitude in our community. My favorite quotation from Saint Therese of Lisieux (who refused medical attention): "I should not have suffered less." Deal with it.▼

a body these days." This "grotesquely heightened and distorted picture of a world that has gone mad" is the absurdity of the human condition itself. Perhaps the play's most goulish moment, part Celine and part Addams Family, is a fashion commentary for a collection of dead designers, Mortswear/Worn Once, Once Worn, where "today's dying want to face the grim reaper in style" causing admirer's to ask "Love your dress...who died in that?" Holsclaw's standup comedy background becomes evident here. His anger is real and we must come to terms with it, too. The gasps of horror from the audience were most entertaining.

The Baddest of Boys is Our Playwright

Holsclaw also pillories Queer Nation or ACT Up activists as inauthentic or petty, and trashes performance artists as vain, shallow and amateurish. Gay men are stereotypically ruttish size queens, foodies and narcissists. Lesbians are incoherent and derided for breeding. Religion and science are brutally mocked. We go into the depths of Holsclaw's personality where he has gained a sense of his being, and by "making the audi-ence aware of man's [sic] precarious and mysterious position in the universe" we gain a sense of our own. Audiences should be outraged by this play. The key line was "This is turning into a city of caregivers; where's your anger?"
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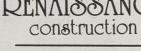
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JUNE

▼ 15 - Monday

S.A.G.A. IV Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 2900 Bradshaw, 8:30pm, \$5, 635-1535. "Color Adjustment", by Marlon Riggs, Point of View, Ch. 6, 10pm, 397-6736.

▼ 16 - Tuesday

Tour of San Francisco's Steinhart Aquarium, Sea Snakes Dive Club, 6:30pm, 408-280-6332.

PFLAG Meeting, St. Marks UMC, 2391 St. Marks Way, 7:30pm, 665-1050.

▼ 17 - Wednesday

Roger Williams, SAC Comm. Theater, 8pm, 264-5181.

▼ 18 - Thursday

Lambda Comm. Appreciation Awarde Dinner, Tuesday Club, 442-0185.

Grass Valley Bluegrass Festival, Nevada Cty. Fairgrounds, 11228 McCourtney Road, Grass Valley, thru June 21.

"An Amador Afternoon", KVIE Ch. 6, 5pm.

▼ 19 - Friday

Dance to Benefit 1993 Nat'l March on Wash-ington, Tuesday Club Camellia Rm., 8pm,

Sax Attack, Summer SAMMIES, Library Plaza Park (Btwn I & J at 9th), 5pm.

Summer Solstice Celebration, Old SAC, 6pm, 443-6223

Great Isleton Crawdad Festival, Isleton Chamber of Commerce, Box 758, Isleton, 95641, thru Jun. 21.

▼ 20 - Saturday

SAC City Auction, SAC Comm. Ctr. Exhibit Hall B, 13th & J St., 8am, 264-5708.

SACWN Pride Dance, Unitarian Meeting Hall, 2425 Sierra Blvd., 8pm, 486-8985.

SAC Men's Chorus GALA IV Raffle, Freedom Fair, McKinley Park, 4pm.

Lambda Freedom Fair, McKinley Park, 10am,

Annual SSPCA "Barking Lot Sale", SPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Rd., 9am, 383-PETS. Artists Fashion Show, Crest Theater, 2pm, Jun. 21, 7:30pm, 446-0019.

AIDS Awarenese, Northern California First Talent Search, American Music Theater, 7:30pm, Carm., 364-7417.

▼ 21 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

3rd Annual Antique & Collectible Street Fair, Mill & W. Main Sts., Grass Valley, 8am, 916-272-8315.

▼ 22 - Monday

Women's Night at CARES, CARES, 7pm, 443-0588.

▼ 24 - Wednesday

Common Sense Dog Training, Cresta Park, on Esperanza, 6:30pm, 485-2201.

25 - Thursday

Grand Opening of *Ristorante Piatti,* Pavilions, Fair Oaks Blvd., 6pm., 264-5423.

▼ 26 - Friday

The Beer Dawgs, Summer SAMMIES, Library Plaza Park (Btwn I & J at 9th), 5pm.

▼ 27 - Saturday

L.A. Gay/Leebian Pride Celebration, West Hollywood Park, 213-656-6553.

GALA Choruses Festival IV Opening Concert, Denver, CO, 8pm, 303-832-1526.

Bare Chest Contest, Wreck Room, 10:30pm.

▼ 28 - Sunday

S.F. Lesbian/Gay Pride Parade, Ferry Building, 11am, 415-864-FREE.

San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade Celebration, Civic Center Plaza, 415-864-FREE.

GLAAD/East Bay Meeting, Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph Ave., 7pm, 510-273-9176.

30 - Tuesday GALA Choruses Festival IV, Concert, Denver, CO, 2pm, 303-832-1526.

JULY

▼ 2 - Thursday

GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro #B, S.F., 7pm, 415-861-4588

▼ 3 - Friday

Independence Day Celebration, Johnson's Beach, Guerneville, 707-869-9009.

▼ 4 - Saturday

Independence Day Celebrations Russian River Chamber of Commerce (707)

▼ 5 - Sunday

CA Assn. of Human Rights Organizations Conference, Capital Plaa Holiday Inn, 300 J St., Diversity & Justice Workshops, 1:30pm, 3pm, 446-0100.

▼ 8 - Wednesday

14th National Lesbian & Gay Health Conference & 10th Annual AIDS/HIV Forum, Los Angeles Airport Hilton & Towers, (202) 797-3708 or (202) 667-9778.

▼ 10 - Friday

CA State Fair Wine Judging Competition, thru July 12 924-2344.

Arbess Williams & The Boll Weevils, Summer SAMMIES, Library Plaza Park,

Reception for Anne Rudin, American Heart Assoc., SAC Zoo, 3930 Land Park Dr., 5:30pm, RSVP Jul. 3.

▼ 11 - Saturday

Camping Women, River float, 689-9326

UN World Population Day.

▼ 12 - Sunday

Avalon Swing Revue, Shenandoan Veneyards, (209) 267-0211.

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼ 13 - Monday

Sacramento Lesbian & Gay Town Council Meeting. County Administrators Building, 7th & H Sts SAC 7:30pm 448-0422 &863-3020. ACT UP Action, Democratic National Convention, New York City, thru Jul. 16, 202-328-

▼ 15 - Wednesday

Men of All ColorsTogether Lambda Community Center 6:30pm.

▼ 17 - Friday

Camping Women, Willows Retreat in Napa Valley, 689-9326 or 638-4749.

Gaylaxicon IV, A Sci-Fi/Fantasy/Horror Convention, Guest Quarters Suite Hotel, Philadelphia, PA, thru Jul. 19, Gaylaxicon IV, P.O. Box 656, Washington, DC 20044.

SLCC Nite, "Self Breast Exam", 7pm, 687-7282.

▼ 23 - Thursday

SLCC General Membership Meeting Lambda Community Center, 7pm, 863-3020, Opt. #1 MB #4.

▼ 24 - Friday

DANCE: The Prom you never got to go to! SLCC, 863-3020, Opt. #1, MB #4.

The Mind Club/Attica, Summer SAMMIES, Library Plaza Park, 5pm.

Bay Area Regional Rodeo, thru July 26, 415-985-5200

▼ 25 - Saturday

Nat'l Conf. of Leebians & Gays in Main-stream Media, Golden Gateway Holiday Inn, S.F., thru June 27, 415-474-5991.



Artists Fashion Show in Outer Space

The Artists Fashion Show is planned for June 20-21 at the Crest Theater. Call 446-0019 for tickets.

Freedom Fest '92, CSU-Chico, 10am, Stone-wall Alliance, Box 8855, Chico 95927-8855.

▼ 26 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm. "Summer Spectacular", 1992 Marriage of Food & Wine, SAC Grand Ballroom, 629 J St., 1:30pm., 452-8271.

AUGUST

▼ 2 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼ 6 - Thursday

GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro #B, S.F., 7pm, 415-861-4588.

▼ 7 - Friday

4th Ann. CA Lottery Bicycle Classic, Old SAC, 4pm, 482-4755.

▼ 9 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼ 11 - Tuesday

Michigan Womyn's Music Festival, W.W.T.M.C., Box 22, Walhalla, MI 49458, 616 757-4766.

▼ 15 - Saturday

SSPCA Crafts Fair Show & Sale, SSPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Rd., 10am, 383-PETS. Comic/Singer Monica Grant, SACWN, Unitarian Meeting Hall, 2425 Sierra Blvd., 486-8985.

▼ 16 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

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California's Original Theater Co., Box 188471, 95818, 442-2399. "It Never Hap-pened", thru Jun. 21.

Foothill Theater Co., P.O. Box 1812, Nevada City, 95959. "Woman in Mind", June 26-Jul. 18.

Theater Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St., S.F., 415-861-5079. "Naked Women", thru Jun.

Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, 12401 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova, 985-6361, "Driving Mise Daisy", thru Jul. 12; "Ten Little Indi-ans, Jul. 17-Sep. 20.

idea Gallery Theater, 3414 4th Ave., 447-6209. "Diamond Dust", thru Jul 31.

Lambda Community Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185, "Levitation", thru Jun. 21, "Original Script", Jul. 25-Aug. 23.

SAC City Actors Theater, 3835 Freeport Blvd., 558-2228. "The Tempest", Jun. 26-27, Jul. 9-23; "The Comedy of Errors", Jul. 3-24.

Sacramento Theater Co., 1419 H St., 443-6722. "The Imigrant: A Hamilton County Album", Sep. 18-Nov. 22; "The Heldi Chronicles", Oct. 2-25; "A Christmas Carol", Nov. 27-Dec. 24.

Music Circus, 1419 H St., 557-1999. "Chess", July 6-12, "Oklahoma", July 13-19, "Fiddler on the Roof", July 20-26, "The Sound of Music", July 27-August 2, "Funny Girl", August 3-9, "Hello, Dolly", August 10-16, "Cabaret", August 17-23.

FIGALLERIES

Archival Framing Gallery, 1729 L St., 444-9624. Photographs by Henry Paine, thru

Crocker Art Museum, 3rd & O St., 264-5423. Landmarks of Early California Painting, thru Sep. 27; Early 20th Century California Painting, thru Oct.; Humanism Revisited, thru Aug. 2; From Watkins to Weston: 101 Years of California Photography, Jun. 19-

Himovitz-Miller Gallery, 550 Pavilions Ln., 925-5917. Discovery!, thru Jun. 27; Nina Else, Linda Smith, Jul. 1-30.

Joyce Abreu Gallery, 3712 Auburn Bivd., 488-1211. Special Spring Showing, Carol Collette, Barbara Wood, Alice Scott, Sergi

John Natsoulas Gallery, 140 F St., Davis, 756-3938. David Gilhooly, Peter Saul, thru

Michael Himovitz Gallery, 1020 10th, 448-8723. Discovery!, thru Jun. 27; Introduc-tions '92: Kathy Glowen, Brian Chapman, Devon Paget, Jul. 1-30, Recep. Jul. 11, 6pm.

Museum of Anthropology, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-5337.

Spectrum/Himovitz Gallery; 511 Harrison, S.F., 415-495-1113. Roxanne O'Brien, Livia Stein, Spaulding Taylor, thru Jun. 27.

The Shenandoah Gallery, 12300 Steiner Rd., Plymouth, CA, 209-245-4455. Helen Wood, Nancy Paterson, thru July 1; Pat Conway. July 1 - Aug. 26: Carol Attoe. Suzan Goodban, Barbara Milman, Sept. 6 - Oct. 28.

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